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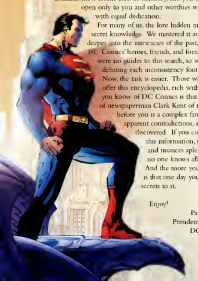

ONE OF THE WORLD'S great pleasures is secret knowledge. It begins in childhood: the things you learn that your parents don't know, or don't imagine you know. It can be the lifetime batting averages of every member of the New York Yankees, the evolutionary path of each of 151 Pokémon creatures... or the names and homeworlds of the Legion of Super-Heroes. Commit these arcane facts to memory, and you can speak a private language open only to you and other worthies who have approached this with equal dedication.

For many of us, the lore hidden in comics was our special secret knowledge. We mastered it as we grew, and delved deeper into the intricacies of the past, present, and future of DC Comics' heroes, friends, and foes. A generation ago, there were no guides to this search, so we had to build our own, debating each inconsistency found with passion.

Now, the task is easier. Those who have gone before you offer this encyclopedia, rich with secret knowledge. If all you know of DC Comics is that Superman is the alter ego of newspaperman Clark Kent of the *Daily Planet*, what lies before you is a complex fantasy world with details, apparent contradictions, and convolutions to be discovered. If you consider yourself a master of this information, there will still be nuggets and nuances aplenty for you to evaluate, for no one knows all of the DC Universe.

And the more you know, the more likely it is that one day you will contribute your own secrets to it.

Enjoy!

Paul Levitz
President and Publisher,
DC Comics

AUTHORS' INTRODUCTION

DC COMICS TRACES its publishing history back to 1935, however, the mythology that links literally thousands of comics and characters together now stretches from the Big Bang to the end of time itself!

Of course, it was not the original intention for there to be a continuity that linked Batman to the Seven Soldiers of Victory or Adam Strange to Angel & The Ape, this process began gradually In 1940, during comics' Golden Age (which ran from the 1930s to the mid-1950s), All American Comics—then a sister company of DC—gathered its greatest heroes together to swap stories at the monthly meeting of the Justice Society of America That story, in *All Star Comics* #3, was the first time DC's main characters had spoken to one another By the next issue, they had banded together, however each mission required them to work on their own in chapters usually drawn by the series artist And since there was little in the way of character development or recurring plot lines, the stories were fairly static

Stan Lee changed all that In 1961, when he started writing the adventures of the Fantastic Four, Spider-Man, Thor and others at Marvel Comics, he allowed his characters to refer to each other Crossovers between characters all operating out of New York City at the same period in time offered rich story possibilities And so the Marvel Universe was born

By the late 1960s, DC editors began linking events from one book to another This process accelerated rapidly as plots became more complex and characters more rounded, suddenly it was not unusual to have explanatory footnotes which might refer a reader to the previous month, or as far back as 1945! As DC acquired properties from other companies (Captain Marvel and Blue Beetle among others), their characters and backstories were added to the expanding DC Universe, providing fresh grist for the mill

However, after a while, the interrelatedness of stories and characters from one book to another threatened to become so complex that readers couldn't tell the players and their worlds without a scorecard! Occasional "reboots" of characters by new creative teams wanting to put their own stamp on their favorite heroes only added to the confusion

By the mid-1980s, DC felt the situation was getting out of hand and a new storyline was introduced, the *Crisis on Infinite Earths*, to limit characters and action to one earth and one timeline DC also reintroduced its top characters to a new generation Frank Miller and David Mazzucchelli's *Batman Year One*, George Perez & Greg Potter's *Wonder Woman*, and John Byrne's *Superman* loudly told readers to forget the past, new legends were about to begin Since then, some of those reinvention have been modified again as seen in the Superman Birthright series And the entire Universe received a sprucing up in a 2004 mini-series *Identity Crisis*

The *DC Comics Encyclopedia* spans the timeline of the DC Universe The facts about characters' pasts, powers and personalities are current, as of early 2004 and, since DC continues to publish monthly, some facts may change over the next few years We've worked closely with the editors to make sure we're reflecting the right information, so if you remember an incident differently than as reported here, it probably means circumstances were retrofitted to work within the current framework of the DC Universe

We would have loved to include every DC character of any significance, but, sadly, this was impossible. However we have selected well over one thousand of DC's finest heroes villains, and team-ups, every one illustrated by great DC artists past and present The *DC Comics Encyclopedia* is devised to run chronologically from A to Z, with a comprehensive index The most important characters, such as Superman, Batman, the JLA, have their own double page features; each major character has an entire page, and each supporting character has a panel or entry Each character also has his or her own data box detailing key facts and special powers. In addition there are several themed double-page features on topics such as vehicles, battles, bases, team-ups, and romances

So, if you can't find a favorite weird little character from way back when we hope these packed pages will offer you plenty in the way of compensation, celebrating, as they do more than 70 years of fun, excitement and comic-book history

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ABRA KADABRA

First appearance FLASH (1st series) #128 (May 1962)
Status Villain **Real name** Citizen Abra
Occupation Technosorcerer **Base** Keystone City
Height 6ft 6in **Weight** 209 lbs **Eyes** Blue **Hair** Black
Special powers/abilities Kadabra's magic-like powers were purely the result of futuristic technology. However, he is now a genuine sorcerer.

In the 64th century [illegible] Citizen Abra [illegible] of the [illegible] in a [illegible] traveling to Earth's [illegible] Keystone [illegible] to Central City at the [illegible] used 64th-century technology [illegible] new identity and became the [illegible] Abra Kadabra. Desperate for adulation and [illegible] meaning they seemed magical, Abra Kadabra [illegible] a series of spectacular crimes, hoping to [illegible].

Thwarted time and again by the second Flash, Kadabra's technology was accidentally damaged and he was transformed into a ghost-like entity. Restored to normal, Kadabra was brought back to the 64th century by a bounty hunter named Peregrine. Kadabra was about to be executed when the Flash saved him and destroyed the Central Clockworks. Returning to the 21st century, Kadabra was stripped of his powers but after a deal with the demon Neron Abra Kadabra became a true [illegible] spells and fire energy bolts. He [illegible] the Flash. PJ

MAGIC MASTER [illegible]

AGAMEMNO

First appearance SILVER AGE #1 (July 2000)
Status Villain **Real name** Unpronounceable/unspellable
Occupation Would-be universe conqueror **Base** Outer space
Height Variable **Weight** Variable **Eyes** Variable **Hair** None
Special powers/abilities Imbues inanimate objects with his energy, bringing them to life; causes persons to swap bodies.

Composed of [illegible] energy, Agamemno was one of the first sentient beings formed in the wake of the Big Bang. Upon seeing the vastness of space Agamemno wanted to control and rule the other life forms just being born. His father, however, wanted to control the cosmos himself, thereby pitting himself against his son. Seeking an advantage to end this stalemate, Agamemno converted himself into sentient energy and toured the universe in search of three objects that could be pieced together into a killing weapon.

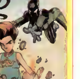
His search brought him to Earth during the early days of the modern heroic age, when he manipulated superpowered [illegible] and villains to do his bidding. The [illegible] members of the JLA managed to thwart his scheme, however, and kept the objects from being used. Agamemno then [illegible] seeking another way to beat his father [illegible] of the cosmos. RG

ACRATA

First appearance SUPERMAN (2nd series) Annual #12 (Aug. 2000)
Status Hero **Real name** Andrea Rojas
Occupation Mesoamerican anthropologist **Base** Mexico City
Height 5ft 6in **Weight** 125 lbs **Eyes** Blue **Hair** Red
Special powers/abilities Superb athlete and martial artist.

In her youth, Andrea Rojas moved with her family from [illegible] to Mexico while her father continued [illegible] culture for the National [illegible] of Anthropology in Mexico City. Joining in [illegible], Andrea also became learned in ancient [illegible]. However, she was increasingly [illegible] modern-day ills suffered by her [illegible] narcotics trafficking and [illegible] gifted athlete and martial artist An[illegible] identity of Acrata, a name [illegible] those who support [illegible] fight organized crime.

[illegible] costume adorned with the Mayan [illegible] means that purportedly allowed [illegible] in the dark, Acrata began [illegible] areas of South America, frequently [illegible] Mexican heroes Iman and El [illegible] teamed with Superman to defeat [illegible] Duran. As her calling card, Acrata [illegible] to mark her capture [illegible] crime. SB



SOFTLY SOFTLY With the symbol of the [illegible] stealthily sneak up [illegible] Duran [illegible]

AGENT LIBERTY

FIRST APPEARANCE SUPERMAN (2nd series) #60 (October 1991)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Benjamin Lockwood
OCCUPATION Covert agent **BASE** Mobile
HEIGHT 6ft 2in **WEIGHT** 195 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Brown
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Master of armed combat and espionage; outfitted with a battle suit that bristles with weaponry: gauntlets generate bullet-deflecting force fields or become jagged bayonets; a jet pack enables him to soar into the air.

A former CIA [illegible] operative, Ben[illegible] Lockwood [illegible] the U[illegible] [illegible] called the Sons of [illegible] Liberty [illegible] his former [illegible] CIA. Agent Liberty [illegible] [illegible] Agent Liberty helped [illegible] Agent Liberty [illegible] Sons of Liberty when the [illegible] Senator Pete Ross [illegible] Daily Planet [illegible] before beginning a new life in the [illegible]. Despite his lack of superpowers, Agent Liberty has put in a [illegible] with the Justice League of America. DW

AGONY AND ECSTACY

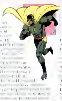
FIRST APPEARANCE HELLBLAZER #12 (December 1988)
STATUS Villains **REAL NAMES** Agony and Ecstasy
OCCUPATION Hell's enforcers **BASE** Hell
HEIGHT 7ft **WEIGHT** Unknown **EYES** White **HAIR** Flaming red
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES It is not clearly understood what happens to those unfortunates who are taken by Agony and Ecstasy; perhaps that's just as well.

Agony and Ecstasy are Hell's [illegible] [illegible] police [illegible] other underlings who dare to break the rules [illegible] oppose the authority of Hell. They are [illegible] whose beautiful [illegible] bodies are [illegible] [illegible] Hell and [illegible] the angels [illegible] were given the keys [illegible] gates. They [illegible] Agony and Ecstasy [illegible] bringing back [illegible] demons that had escaped [illegible] realm beyond [illegible] Hell's hierarchy. Agony and Ecstasy [illegible] to serve and punish [illegible] gleefully inflicting their vengeance upon any [illegible] defy its demonic leadership. PJ

AIR WAVE I

FIRST APPEARANCE DETECTIVE COMICS #60 (February 1942)
STATUS Hero (deceased) **REAL NAME** Lawrence "Larry" Jordan
OCCUPATION Crime-fighter; District Attorney **BASE** New York City
HEIGHT 5ft 10in **WEIGHT** 175 lbs **EYES** Brown **HAIR** Brown
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Antennae in helmet and circuitry on belt allowed him to eavesdrop on police band frequencies or intercept telephone calls; travelled at the speed of electricity along telephone lines on collapsible skates built into boots; magnetic energies enabled him to climb walls or relieve criminals of their guns.

[illegible] New York [illegible] law clerk [illegible] battle [illegible] Big Apple [illegible] Air Wave [illegible] A[illegible]W[illegible]. SB



RIDING THE WAVES [illegible]

AIR WAVE II

FIRST APPEARANCE GREEN LANTERN (2nd series) #100 (Jan. 1978)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Harold "Hal" Lawrence Jordan
OCCUPATION Student **BASE** Dallas, Texas
HEIGHT 5ft 7in **WEIGHT** 156 lbs **EYES** Brown **HAIR** Brown
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Helmet allows him to change his molecular structure; can transform into energy and travel along radio and television airwaves; can also fly at superspeed.

Hal Jordan, the [illegible] Air Wave [illegible] greatest members of the legendary [illegible]. The young Hal was [illegible] Jack and Jan Jordan after his mother [illegible] Hal became the [illegible] Air Wave [illegible] helmet and equipment [illegible] had one [illegible] fighting. The second Air Wave [illegible] GREEN LANTERN, as well as GREEN ARROW and the BLACK CANARY. Recruited by [illegible] to join his Captain [illegible] task force for the Institute of Meta-Human [illegible] Jordan changed his name to Maser. Later, the [illegible] kidnapped Max and [illegible] Kobra, but the young hero was saved by the [illegible] Society of America. Hal [illegible] codename of Air Wave and [illegible] perished during the Infinite Crisis. PJ

ALLEN, IRIS

FIRST APPEARANCE SHOWCASE #4 (October 1956)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Iris Ann Russell West Allen
OCCUPATION Journalist **BASE** City
HEIGHT 5ft 6in **WEIGHT** 130 lbs **EYES** Brown **HAIR** Brown
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Highly resourceful with a keen intellect; no meta-human abilities.

IRIS AND THE FLASH In [illegible] her nephew Wally West, her boyfriend Barry Allen.

After graduating from Columbia University, Iris West won a job at *Picture News*. There she met police scientist Barry Allen; they became engaged and everything in Iris's life turned upside down. Allen was in an accident that turned him into the second Flash, but Iris only found this out when she heard Barry talking in his sleep. When Barry finally told her his secret, he explained that he had waited because he was running tests to see if his biological changes would affect their ability to have children. Happily, all was well.

Further shocks were in store for Iris. It eventually transpired that she was adopted! She learned this when she found a pendant containing a recording from her true parents. Their names were Ira and Fran Russell, and they lived in the crime-ridden 30th century. Iris had been sent back in time for her own safety! Meanwhile, a mad scientist called Professor Zoom had become obsessed with Iris. When she rejected his advances at [illegible], Zoom killed her. But at that very instant, the Russells used a spiritual device to transport Iris's spirit to the 30th century. Later, when Barry killed Zoom and was tried for murder, Iris returned to the 20th century, disguised herself as a juror, and saw to it that he was acquitted. Reunited, Barry accompanied Iris to the 30th century. Iris gave birth to twins shortly after Barry was killed during the apocalyptic battle known as the Crisis (see Great Battles pp. 362-3). Iris later returned to the 20th century to teach her grandson Bart how to use his inherited gift of speed. Once again living in Keystone City, Iris used her knowledge of future events to try and prevent the death of Bart Allen. She failed, and her grandson perished at the hands of the Rogues. **RG**

CLOSE ESCAPE [illegible] *Flash shows up [illegible] his advances for the [illegible] all her soul is placed [illegible]*

ALIAS THE SPIDER

FIRST APPEARANCE CRACK COMICS #1 (May 1940)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Tom Ludlow Holloway
OCCUPATION Adventurer **BASE** Keystone City
HEIGHT 6ft 1in **WEIGHT** 195 lbs **EYES** Brown **HAIR** Brown
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Superb archer and athlete; sometimes wore a bulletproof costume.

During the 1940s, Tom Hallaway decided to fight crime as the costumed champion the Spider. Using a bow and arrow and traveling in a custom Black Widow car driven by his valet and confidant Chuck [illegible], the Spider killed many of his criminal [illegible]. Though known as a hero, the Spider clearly walked the edge of cold villainy. At the height of World War II, the Spider joined Uncle Sam's FREEDOM FIGHTERS. He later worked with the SEVEN SOLDIERS OF VICTORY, claiming that he could help them defeat the NEBULA MAN. In reality, the Spider had set them all up for a fall. With his trap sprung and the Seven Soldiers dispersed into the timestreams, the Spider became the new protector of Keystone City. The Spider died at the hands of the Shade, though his son Lucas Ludlow Dale has since assumed the Spider's mantle. Thomas Ludlow Dale has become the third Spider and as I, Spyder helped fight the Sheeda. **DW**

ALLIANCE, THE

FIRST APPEARANCE JLA/HAVEN: THE ARRIVAL #1 (January 2002)
STATUS Hero team **BASE** The Haven, Coast City, California
MEMBERS AND POWERS
Valadin Military hero; manipulates energy and projects power blasts.
Sir Engineer in control of tiny nano-tech machines.
Katalo Powerful telepath.
Nio Superstrength, invulnerability, flight.
Amon Elder statesman and Valadin's brother.
Mavaar Lin Former chancellor of the Haven.
Ignatio Highly skilled scientist.
Hank Velmoode Innate working knowledge of most things, both organic and technological.
Tendrick Saffick Alters gravity to gain powers of levitation.

ALIEN TEAM [illegible] Valadin and Hank [illegible]

The Alliance are a contingent of freedom-fighting aliens from the planet Competalia, dedicated to ridding their world of Anathema, a ruthless biogeneticist who transformed nearly every inhabitant of Competalia into superhuman beings. Once a Competalian was transformed, Anathema would have complete dominion over the individual and her newly created warriors quickly swept over the planet, placing it under her near-total control. Over two million Competalians resisted Anathema's control, however, and were placed in a penal colony called "The Haven." Soon after, Valadin, a respected military leader, and his brother Amon forged an Alliance of rebels and turned Haven into a traveling space city. The Haven escaped Competalia and headed for the Milky Way galaxy. The Alliance came out of warp too close to Earth and crash-landed in California, creating a crater across much of the state and killing thousands. With the help of the JUSTICE LEAGUE OF AMERICA, the Competalians were able to salvage the Haven and forge a new Alliance under Valadin's command. One member, the Chancellor Mavaar Lin, betrayed the Alliance, allowing Anathema to take over the Haven. Sir used the despot's DNA against her, enabling him to destroy her. The Haven remained in California and, through negotiator Nicole Stent, appointed by then President Lex Luthor (see LUTHOR, LEX), became a legally recognized city of the U.S. **PJ**

BETRAYAL *Mavaar Lin, the former chancellor of the Haven, betrayed her teammates while under the thrall of Anathema, even threatening the life of then President Lex Luthor.*

ALL-STAR SQUADRON

FIRST APPEARANCE JUSTICE LEAGUE OF AMERICA #193 (All-Star Squadron) (August 1981); YOUNG ALL-STARS #1 (Young All-Stars) (June 1987)
STATUS Hero team (disbanded) **BASE** New York City
NOTABLE MEMBERS AND POWERS
Amazing Man I (Will Everett) Able to transform himself into any material he touched.
Commander Steel (Hank Heywood) Injured body repaired with steel alloy frame and micro-motor muscles.
Firebrand II (Danette Reilly) Possessed power of flight and the ability to create and control flames.
Hawkgirl I (Shiera Sanders Hall) Flew with artificial wings and "Nth metal" anti-gravity belt.
Johnny Quick (Johnny Chambers) Speed and flight enabled by speaking speed formula: 3X2(9YZ)4A.
Liberty Belle (Libby Belle Lawrence) Superstrength, agility, and ability to project sonic pulses.
Plastic Man (Eel O'Brian) Superpliable and rubbery resilient body.
Robotman I (Dr. Robert Crane, a.k.a. Paul Dennis) Powerful robotic frame housed human brain.
Shining Knight (Sir Justin/Justin Arthur) Rode winged steed Victory while wielding enchanted armor and sword.
Tarantula I (Jonathan Law) Masked vigilante armed with web-line emitting web gun.

[illegible] U.S. President Franklin D. Roosevelt [illegible] and [illegible] America's [illegible] —to band together in a unified [illegible] domination of the world. [illegible] lines, the Squadron, which [illegible] only to F.D.R. and the War Department [illegible] its greatest [illegible] later.

THE PERISPHERE

During [illegible] duty the All-Star Squadron [illegible] the Perisphere [illegible] 1939–1940 New York World's Fair [illegible] the Squadron [illegible] Perisphere [illegible] All-Star [illegible] Star Rocket [illegible] Squadron member [illegible] Spangled Kid.

THE YOUNG ALL-STARS

In 1942, the All-Star Squadron [illegible] All-Stars [illegible] Squadron [illegible] America [illegible] All-Star Squadron [illegible]
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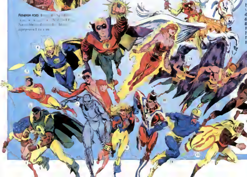
EARLY DAYS Dr. Mid-Nite [illegible] *of potential* [illegible]

FIENDISH FOES [illegible]



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KEY STORYLINES

- ***ALL-STAR SQUADRON #4* (DECEMBER 1981)** The Squadron first battles the Dragon King.
- ***JUSTICE LEAGUE OF AMERICA #207–209; ALL-STAR SQUADRON #14–15* (OCT.–DEC. 1982)** The Squadron teams with the modern-day JLA and JSA to prevent Per Degaton from unleashing a nuclear nightmare and altering the course of history.

ALPHA CENTURION

FIRST APPEARANCE ZERO HOUR: CRISIS IN TIME #3 (September 1994)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Marcus Aelius
OCCUPATION Adventurer **BASE** Metropolis
HEIGHT 5ft 8in **WEIGHT** 165 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Blond
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Alien armor gives superstrength, the power of flight, and the ability to manifest an energy sword and shield.

[illegible] Marcus Aelius [illegible] by [illegible] Upon [illegible] himself [illegible] (see [illegible], Lex), [illegible] Metropolis Aelius was dubbed Alpha Centurion. He formed the Centurions private army that protected the city under strict [illegible]

PROSECTOR [illegible]

Alpha C[illegible] from the [illegible] plans to [illegible] severed his ties [illegible] travels the world [illegible] subsequently [illegible] that have [illegible] about [illegible] years ago. RG

SUPERMAN Alpha C[illegible] the [illegible] but they quickly [illegible]

AMAZING GRACE

FIRST APPEARANCE SUPERMAN (2nd series) 43 (March 1987)
STATUS Villain **REAL NAME** None
OCCUPATION Agent of Darkseid **BASE** Apokolips
HEIGHT 5ft 11in **WEIGHT** 159 lbs **EYES** Green **HAIR** Red
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Manipulates the wills of others with her beauty and persuasive powers.

The [illegible] propaganda [illegible] Amazing Grace [illegible] brother [illegible] Apokolips [illegible] Amazing Grace [illegible] DW

AMAZING MAN I

FIRST APPEARANCE ALL STAR SQUADRON #23 (July 1983)
STATUS Hero (deceased) **REAL NAME** William Everett
OCCUPATION Adventurer **BASE** New York City
HEIGHT 6ft 1in **WEIGHT** 185 lbs **EYES** Brown **HAIR** Black
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Capable of transforming himself into a living, breathing facsimile of any material that he touched; later, his powers were altered, and he was instead able to magnetically attract or repel objects with his hands.

[illegible] Berlin Olympics [illegible] American [illegible] was kidnapped by the [illegible] became Amazing Man [illegible] working for the [illegible] Amazing Man then joined the All-Star Squadron [illegible] during World War II [illegible] PJ

AMAZING MAN II

FIRST APPEARANCE JUSTICE LEAGUE OF AMERICA (2ND SERIES) #8c (March 1994)
STATUS Hero (deceased) **REAL NAME** William Everett III
OCCUPATION Adventurer **BASE** New York City
HEIGHT 5ft 11in **WEIGHT** 180 lbs **EYES** Brown **HAIR** Black
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Could transform into a living facsimile of any material [illegible] he touched; if he touched rock, for example, he became [illegible] of rock, with all its strengths and weaknesses.

ROMANCE [illegible]

[illegible] Amazing Man [illegible] Amazing Man [illegible] killed [illegible] Man. PJ

AMAZO

FIRST APPEARANCE THE BRAVE AND THE BOLD #30 (June 1960)
STATUS Villain **REAL NAME** None
OCCUPATION Adventurer **BASE** Mobile
HEIGHT 8ft **WEIGHT** 485 lbs **EYES** Red **HAIR** None
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Absorption cells throughout Amazo's synthetic body permit the android to replicate the special abilities of any super beings in his immediate proximity. With every hero or heroine encountered, Amazo becomes even more powerful and virtually unstoppable.

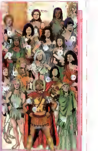
The android dubbed "Amazo" was built by mad scientist Professor Ivo [illegible] quest for eternal life. Powered by Ivo's patented absorption cells, Amazo [illegible] out to fulfill his [illegible] by duplicating the superpowers belonging to the founding membership of the JUSTICE LEAGUE OF AMERICA, energies Ivo hoped would grant him eternal life. Despite facing a single foe as mighty as [illegible] in concert, the JLA defeated Amazo [illegible] into an electronic slumber. Over the years [illegible] creation, Amazo has emerged from this [illegible] dormancy on various occasions, upgrading himself with new abilities depending on the JLA's ever-changing roster, and continuing to do Professor Ivo's preprogrammed bidding by attempting to destroy the world's greatest super heroes. In a recent battle with the JLA, Amazo faced the League's entire roll-call, including reservists and part-time members, thus tripling the amount of powers he absorbed. Professor Ivo failed to combine Amazo with RED TORNADO II's body to make an indestructible shell for SOLOMON GRUNDY. Ivo also created Amazo's cyborg "son" [illegible] SB

LIKE FATHER
[illegible]

AMAZONS

FIRST APPEARANCE (historical) ALL-STAR COMICS #8 (Winter 1941) (current) Wonder Woman (2nd series) #1 (February 1987)
STATUS Heroes **BASE** Themyscira
CURRENT MEMBERS AND POWERS (See key)

[illegible] faction [illegible] her [illegible] An [illegible] and [illegible] the [illegible] for the [illegible] Diaboloch [illegible] forged [illegible] of [illegible] exchange [illegible] promote their [illegible] DC under [illegible] wrath of [illegible]



NOTABLE AMAZONS PAST AND PRESENT
1) [illegible] **2)** [illegible]
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5) [illegible] **6)** [illegible]
7) [illegible] **8)** [illegible]
9) [illegible] **10)** [illegible]
11) [illegible] **12)** [illegible]
13) [illegible] **14)** [illegible]
15) [illegible] **16)** [illegible]
17) [illegible]

AMBUSH BUG

FIRST APPEARANCE DC COMICS PRESENTS #52 (July 1983)
STATUS Would-be hero **REAL NAME** Irwin Schwab
OCCUPATION Adventurer **BASE** Metropolis
HEIGHT 5ft 10in **WEIGHT** 145 lbs **EYES** Green **HAIR** None
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Can teleport anywhere on Earth (exact limits are not defined); green suit provides some protection against attack.

Irwin Schwab somehow came into possession of a green suit filled with miraculous technology that protected the wearer from harm and allowed him to teleport around the [illegible] Unfortunately this was a case of the right tool in [illegible] hands. Schwab's major character defect [illegible] his lack of linear logic, which gives him [illegible] skewed picture of the world. However, Schwab knows enough to want to [illegible] costume and special abilities [illegible] cause of good. Unfortunately [illegible] though he aspires to be [illegible] hero, he always seems [illegible] caught up in complicated [illegible] events. Following the Infinite [illegible] Crisis, Ambush Bug joined the short-lived replacement [illegible]

PEST [illegible] Superman [illegible] beginning his journey to become a hero.

AMETHYST, PRINCESS OF GEMWORLD

FIRST APPEARANCE LEGION OF SUPER-HEROES #298 (April 1983)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Amy Winston
OCCUPATION Lord of Order **BASE** Gemworld
HEIGHT 5ft 8in **WEIGHT** 134 lbs **EYES** Violet **HAIR** Blonde
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Vast magical talents including the ability to fly, generate force-field shields, emit bolts of energy, and conjure up interdimensional portals.

PRECIOUS GEM [illegible] be [illegible] Amethyst [illegible] both good and [illegible]

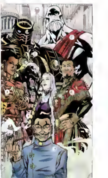
[illegible] Amy Winston learned that she was a princess born to rule the realm [illegible] and the body of a 20-year-old and wielded vast magic powers. Gemworld [illegible] of sorcerers, playthings for the Lords of Order and Chaos. [illegible] House of Amethyst to strike against Lord of Chaos Vandal [illegible] (see DARK OPAL). Lord and Lady Amethyst died in the clash, but [illegible] ensured their infant daughter would be safely raised on Earth. This girl became Amy Winston. As Amethyst, Amy defeated Dark Opal and united the Gemworld. She lost her sight during the Crisis (see Great Battles, pp. 362-3) but learned to see by magical means and broke all ties [illegible] who had known her as Amy Winston. Amethyst [illegible] plan to bring about order [illegible] Lords of Chaos called Child and his [illegible] she conquered troubled Gemworld. **DW**

JUST THIRTEEN Amy reverts to her Earth age [illegible] from Gemworld.

ANCIENTS, THE

FIRST APPEARANCE JLA #70 (October 2002)
STATUS Hero team **BASE** Ancient Atlantis
MEMBERS AND POWERS
GAMEMNAE POWERS (ABBE; BREAKER) Corrupt Atlantean sorceress
THE ANOINTED ONE Alien powerhouse, defender of the Hebrew faith
MANITOU RAVEN North American shaman possessing mystical powers
RAMA KHAN Elemental commanding earth and rocks to his will
SELA Armed with magical weapons carried in her Bag of Night
TEZUMAK Juggernaut sealed in armor oiled with his victims' blood
THE WHALER Wielder of solid light "Borealis Effect" hurled from his net and harpoon

ANCIENTS, THE [illegible] RAMA KHAN [illegible] the Ancients were [illegible] world's greatest super heroes [illegible] prehistory. The [illegible] fought together in battle [illegible] prophesied [illegible] High Priestess [illegible] Atlantis [illegible] that would lay waste the Earth [illegible] the Ancients fought and killed [illegible] AMERICA, who had traveled [illegible] part in final then [illegible] teammate [illegible] bid [illegible] the other [illegible] of conquering the world [illegible] Atlantis from sinking and so changing [illegible] present-day Earth [illegible] with disaster as every drop of water was [illegible] reservoirs of Atlantis as it was raised [illegible] the ocean. To save the modern [illegible] called upon a roster of replacement [illegible] back several millennia to thwart [illegible] plan. The JLA revealed her treachery [illegible] and the heroes of two epochs joined [illegible] past and present. The beautiful [illegible] with MANITOU RAVEN. **SB**



KEY 1) The Anointed One **2)** [illegible] **3)** Sela **4)** Manitou Raven **5)** [illegible] **6)** Rama Khan **7)** The Whaler

ANARKY

FIRST APPEARANCE DETECTIVE COMICS #608 (November 1989)
STATUS Unresolved **REAL NAME** Lonnie Machin
OCCUPATION Political activist **BASE** Washington, D.C.
HEIGHT 5ft 8in **WEIGHT** 150 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Red
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES A superintelligent computer genius and a master inventor; he uses gas bombs and a laser staff in combat.

BATMAN BATTLE After killing several [illegible] Anarky was captured by Batman [illegible] returned [illegible] determined [illegible] the [illegible] ending [illegible] permanent [illegible]

[illegible] height and [illegible] several CEOs [illegible] with his [illegible] soon identified the [illegible] newspaper that [illegible] to discover that Anarky was just [illegible] him, and Machin was [illegible] Correctional Hall.

Machin [illegible] computer hacker Moneyspider [illegible] dollars from the accounts of [illegible] World countries. Batman's [illegible] Moneyspider's link to Anarky [illegible] global change were thwarted [illegible] and using a special device of his own creation [illegible] the two sides of his brain, increasing his [illegible] levels. After toying with [illegible] Anarky learned that he had [illegible] and that his natural mother was [illegible] and his father was the JOKER. This only furthered Anarky's resolve to wreak havoc [illegible] the industrialized world, in the hope of triggering worldwide revolution.

Despite his criminal history with Earth's defenders, most notably Batman, Anarky has worked alongside heroes including ROBIN, GREEN LANTERN, and YOUNG JUSTICE against some of their greatest enemies, including KLARION THE WITCH BOY and DARKSEID. **PJ**

ANARKY AIMS HIGH Hyperintelligent Anarky [illegible]

ANDROMEDA

FIRST APPEARANCE LEGION OF SUPER-HEROES (4th series) #5 (April 1990)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Laurel Gand
OCCUPATION Legionnaire **BASE** Mobile
HEIGHT 6ft 2in **WEIGHT** 160 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Blonde
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Natural Daxamite abilities of superspeed, superstrength, laser vision, X-ray vision, supersenses, and invulnerability to everything but lead.

Laurel Gand [illegible] Legion's [illegible] planet Daxam [illegible] Laurel Gand [illegible] present [illegible] Legion of Super-Heroes [illegible] she [illegible] both [illegible] and [illegible] the [illegible] the White [illegible] however [illegible] RG

ANGLE MAN

FIRST APPEARANCE WONDER WOMAN (2nd series) #179 (May 2002)
STATUS Villain **REAL NAME** Angelo Bend
OCCUPATION Thief **BASE** Milan, Italy
HEIGHT 5ft 11in **WEIGHT** 170 lbs **EYES** Brown **HAIR** Brown
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Bend's Angler weapon (a magical set square) allows him to teleport, bend space and spacial relations, alter gravity, and warp perceptions.

[illegible]

FURIOUS [illegible]

THE ANGLER While [illegible]

ANGEL AND THE APE

FIRST APPEARANCE SHOWCASE PRESENTS #77 (September 1968)
STATUS Heroes **REAL NAMES** Angel Beatrix O'Day, Sam Simeon
OCCUPATION Adventurer **BASE** New York City
HEIGHT 5ft 10in (Angel), 5ft 9in (Sam)
WEIGHT 140 lbs (Angel), 550 lbs (Sam)
EYES Blue (Angel), hazel (Sam) **HAIR** White (Angel), black (Sam)
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Angel is an expert fencer, markswoman, martial artist, and linguist; Sam has limited telepathic abilities and gorilla strength.

The most famous duo in New York City must be Angel and the Ape, who operate a PI firm under the name of O'Day & Simeon. The two are inseparable, and their history goes back years to when Angel accompanied her father Professor Theo O'Day on an African safari. Professor O'Day had already encountered a tribe of subterranean Amazons, with whom he had fathered a daughter, Athena. On this occasion, he and his second daughter, Angel, stumbled into the vicinity of Gorilla City.

Sam Simeon had wandered off from the concealed gorilla metropolis and the headaches associated with villain (and Sam's grandfather) Gorilla Grodd. Sam followed Angel back to the U.S. While Angel trained in a variety of intellectual and physical disciplines, Sam doodled on a sketch pad and dreamed of becoming a cartoonist.

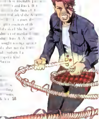
Sam eventually took home a semi-regular paycheck as a freelance artist illustrating the comic book *Dan D. Mallard Man* while assisting Angel on the cases that walked through the door of O'Day & Simeon. His telepathic "force of mind" allows him to trick others into overlooking the fact that he's a quarter-ton gorilla!

The pair is still active in the detective business. Never looking for trouble, the mild-mannered Sam finds it anyway whenever he's in Angel's company. DW

ANIMA

FIRST APPEARANCE NEW TITANS ANNUAL (2nd series) #9 (1993)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Courtney Mason
OCCUPATION Adventurer **BASE** Mobile
HEIGHT 5ft 5in **WEIGHT** 111 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Blonde (dyed red)
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Able to leech bio-energy from living and non-living things; her body contains the Animus, a shadow being possessing superstrength, flight, and shape-changing powers.

Rebellious teen Courtney Mason departed her [illegible] following an attack by parasitic aliens [illegible] had come to Earth and [illegible] the [illegible] and [illegible] the [illegible] the Animus [illegible] Courtney [illegible] essences of the living and the dead. She [illegible] the embodiment of mankind [illegible] and [illegible] Anima [illegible] She also met the [illegible] SB



ANIMAL MAN

DEFENDER OF THE RED

FIRST APPEARANCE STRANGE ADVENTURES #180 (September 1965)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Bernhard "Buddy" Baker
OCCUPATION Stunt-man, adventurer **BASE** Montana
HEIGHT 5ft 11 1/2 in **WEIGHT** 172 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Blond
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Able to tap into the Lifeweb and temporarily replicate the powers and abilities of any animal on Earth

ANIMAL ANTICS *Animal Man in his happier days, when being a superhero [illegible] compared [illegible] population [illegible]*

THE PUBLIC STORY of Animal Man's origins is that an alien spaceship crashed in the Adirondack Mountains in upstate New York, near film stuntman Buddy Baker, imbuing him with the ability to adapt and use animal powers. He then donned a costume and became Animal Man, part-time rocker and part-time hero. The truth is a little different. Buddy was actually the recipient of a spell cast by an ancient shaman that somehow connected him to the Lifeweb or the Morphogenetic Field, a major source of primordial power. For former rocker turned stuntman Buddy this was a life-altering experience that still has amazing repercussions for him and for his family.

MAKING A DIFFERENCE

After a time Buddy retired his Animal Man costume and married Ellen Frazier, his longtime love. Ellen found work as an illustrator while Buddy did stunts for the movies, and they made a home in San Diego, California, raising their children Cliff and Maxine. Buddy was persuaded to resume his Animal Man role by the Immortal Man, eventually joining Justice League Europe (see JUSTICE LEAGUE OF AMERICA). Unlike most other heroes, Buddy was quite open about his alter ego, and his kids were well aware of their dad's extracurricular activities.

Over time Buddy became increasingly concerned about the planet's animal life and the plight of endangered species. He combatted illegal hunting and animal testing, aided by other heroes such as VIXEN. During these crusading days he learned of his connection to the Morphogenetic Field from the scientist James Highwater. This knowledge further expanded Buddy's horizons, making him aware of his vital link to all life on Earth and his position as a role model for the activists.

A friend suggested Buddy start a new church to spread the word, and thus was born the Life Power Church of Maxine. This led to a pilgrimage and a relocation to the wilds of Montana. This upheaval had unforeseen effects on Buddy's life, including an extramarital affair with his friend Annie, which led to the birth of his second daughter (considered a human incarnation of the World Soul). Following the Infinite Crisis, Buddy spent a year stranded in space alongside ADAM STRANGE and STARFIRE, fighting to end the menace of Lady Styx. He has since returned home to Ellen and his children. **RG**

WILD THING *In learning to master his powers Buddy Baker handles [illegible] attractions.*

ANIMAL INSTINCT *Buddy displays his power by getting close enough to a tiger and impressing his wife, Ellen.*

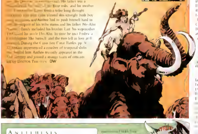
KEY STORYLINES
- ***STRANGE ADVENTURES* #180 (SEPTEMBER 1965)**
Buddy Baker first gains his animal powers
- ***ANIMAL MAN* #1–9 (SEPTEMBER 1988–MARCH 1989):**
Buddy returns to super heroics as his family adjusts to events such as having a JLA transporter delivered to the house
- ***ANIMAL MAN* #51–55 (SEPTEMBER 1992–JANUARY 1993)**
Animal Man learns of his connection to the Red

ANTHRO

First appearance SHOWCASE #74 (May 1968)
Status Hero **Real name** Anthro
Occupation First boy on Earth **Base** Prehistoric Earth
Height 5ft 2in **Weight** 137 lbs **Eyes** Brown **Hair** Brown
Special powers/abilities Skilled hunter and tracker

Running amok
Anthro [illegible] to get [illegible] head [illegible] the [illegible] totally [illegible] stampede.

[illegible] Magnons, who would [illegible]. His father was a [illegible] tribe, and his mother [illegible] from a tribe long thought [illegible] viewed this strongly built boy [illegible], and Anthro had to push himself hard to [illegible] of his tribe status and his father Ne-Ahn [illegible] family included his brother Lart, his stepmother [illegible] and his uncle Do-Ahn. In time he met Embra, a [illegible] like himself, and the two fell in love and [illegible]. During the Crisis (see Great Battles, pp. 3[illegible]) Anthro experienced a number of temporal shifts [illegible] him. Anthro recently appeared in the [illegible] and joined a strange team of outcasts [illegible] by DOCTOR THIRTEEN. DW



APPARITION

First appearance ACTION COMICS #276 (May 1961)
Status Hero **Real name** Tinya Wazzo
Occupation Legionnaire **Base** Legion World, U.P. Space
Height 5ft 4in **Weight** 121 lbs **Eyes** Blue **Hair** Black
Special powers/abilities Able to phase all or any part of her body into an intangible and translucent phantom state

In one incarnation of the Legion of Super-Heroes, Apparition [illegible] name [illegible] Legionnaire known elsewhere as Phantom Girl. Tinya Wazzo of Bgtzl joined the Legion after making a tenuous attempt. Tinya used her people's natural ability to become a living phantom as the Legionnaire Apparition. She reportedly died defending Earth [illegible] a supremacist group known as the White Triangle.

However, Apparition still existed in a phantom-like state and was later fully restored during the Legion's brief trip to the 20th century. During that time Tinya married her true love and fellow Legionnaire [illegible] (Ultra Boy), and gave birth [illegible] son, Cub Wazzo-Nah. Legion [illegible] and a lengthy separation [illegible] the [illegible] a [illegible] age. Furthermore their son Cub [illegible] rapidly age [illegible] his birth, further complicating all of their lives. SB

ANTITHESIS

First appearance TEEN TITANS (1st series) #53 (1978)
Status Villain **Real name** Unrevealed
Occupation Malevolent entity **Base** Limbo
Height Variable **Weight** Variable **Eyes** Red **Hair** None
Special powers/abilities Telepathy, mental manipulation, psychic vampire that feeds off negative emotions

The vile creature known only as the Antithesis was [illegible] imprisoned in the JUSTICE LEAGUE OF AMERICA's computer mainframe. Unable to free itself, the Antithesis, whose past remains shrouded in secrecy, [illegible] Bromwell Stikk through his own computer. The Antithesis gave a mystical staff to Stikk, the [illegible] descendant of a colonial landowner [illegible] tried to enslave the youth of the town of [illegible] Corners. Calling himself Mister Twister, Stikk was defeated and [illegible] by the first TEEN TITANS. The Antithesis then [illegible] his powers to mentally [illegible] the JLA and the [illegible] on a crime [illegible] Titans stopped [illegible], and under [illegible] leadership, hurled [illegible] into Limbo [illegible] toward [illegible] against the Boy Wonder [illegible] teammates. [illegible] the Antithesis transported the [illegible] into Limbo and [illegible] the Gargoyle [illegible] the Titans [illegible] using the mystical powers of the Antithesis. In these most recent attacks on the young heroes, the Gargoyle used the Antithesis' mental powers to attack NIGHTWING's mind, but Nightwing and the HERALD were able to teleport the villains back into Limbo, where they remain to this day plotting their revenge. PJ

Mister Twister [illegible]
first battled with the Titans as Mister Twister.

Revenant
[illegible] a tree, Antithesis [illegible]

AQUAGIRL

First appearance AQUAMAN (1st series) #33 (June 1967)
Status Hero (deceased) **Real name** Tula
Occupation Adventurer **Base** Atlantis
Height 5ft 5in **Weight** 119 lbs **Eyes** Blue **Hair** Brown
Special powers/abilities As an Atlantean, she has a dense physique to allow her to withstand the crushing pressures under the surface which, on land, gives her enhanced strength compared to humans; a superb swimmer

Tula owed everything to the Royal Family of Atlantis, who took her in as an orphan and raised her as one of their own. Her childhood was spent in seclusion in the Royal Home and she rarely ventured out until one day the first AQUAMAN's handsome adopted son, Garth. The two teenagers fell in love and adventured together both on land with the TEEN TITANS and under the sea. A shadow fell on her carefree life when Aquaman abandoned his throne in order to search for his queen MERA. Aquaman left Narkran, a noble, in charge, who soon turned the regency into a dictatorship. Tula led [illegible] rebellion against the tyrant, eventually restoring order to the throne. Tula died during the Crisis. [illegible] Lorena Marquez has taken her place as Aquagirl. RG

AQUAMAN

KING OF THE SEVEN SEAS

FIRST APPEARANCE More Fun Comics #73 (November 1941)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAMES** Arthur Curry; Orin
OCCUPATION Waterbearer of the Secret Sea, exiled King of Atlantis
BASE The undersea kingdom of Atlantis
HEIGHT 6ft 1in **WEIGHT** 325 lbs **EYES** Aqua blue **HAIR** Blond
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Can breathe underwater and communicate telepathically with sea life; can swim 100 m.p.h. underwater; possesses enhanced strength and toughness as well as limited sonar abilities; left hand is made of enchanted water and possesses healing powers as well as other magical abilities.

THOSE WHO UNDERESTIMATE AQUAMAN do so at their peril. This hot-headed monarch commands a kingdom that covers three-quarters of the Earth's surface and extends from the wave crests to the bottom of the Mariana Trench. Although he is at present a king in exile, his royal bearing is plain for all to see. Like many legendary kings, Aquaman's royal birthright was obscured by his upbringing as a commoner. The son of Queen Atlanna and a demigod, the spirit of Atlan, Orin was born with blond hair and the ability to communicate with sea life. These qualities sentenced the child to death by exposure on Mercy Reef, for the Atlanteans believed they were signs of the curse of Kordax, a legendary monster.

EARLY YEARS [illegible]

FATHER FIGURE
Arthur Curry helped [illegible] Atlantean [illegible] no longer [illegible] Aquaman.

OUT [illegible]
[illegible] *to the ocean for life* [illegible] *kept pace by learning how to* [illegible] *his opposable thumbs.*

STRANGER IN A STRANGE LAND

Found and raised by the dolphin Porm, Orin [illegible] a finned dolphin [illegible] lighthouse keeper Arthur Curry took [illegible] Absorbing much of the language and culture of the surface world from his adoptive [illegible] the boy took the name Arthur Curry and traveled north. He unknowingly fathered a child with an Inuit woman, Kako, then became the prisoner of Atlantean soldiers. Arthur befriended a fellow prisoner, Vulko, and escaped, wearing his prisoner's garb of orange scaled shirt and green pants. He soon stumbled into a wave-top battle between the Prankster and the second Flash (Barry Allen). The Flash convinced Arthur to return with him to the U.S., where promoters dubbed him Aquaman.

THE JLA

After he lost his hand in a piranha attack, Aquaman returned to the JLA, becoming a member of the modern team. He maintained ties with the organization he helped found and earned his place among the "magnificent seven" who comprise the icons of modern heroism.

The awkwardness that Aquaman had expressed as a rookie JLA member now manifested itself as outright hostility, but he acquitted himself well in the battle to stop the White Martians of the Hyperclan from taking over the Earth. Aquaman worked sporadically with the JLA, often leaving to attend to business under the sea. Occasionally hints have slipped out concerning his unspoken desire for his teammate Wonder Woman.

IMPERIAL *Aquaman* [illegible] *Wonder Woman* [illegible] *JLA members who possess royal blood.*

RETURN OF THE KING

At [illegible] surface [illegible] Chondra [illegible] the Martian Manhunter [illegible] became a founding member of the Justice League of America.

Now a famous super hero, Aquaman returned to Atlantis to claim the throne. He made Vulko his regent and led his realm [illegible] age. The exiled boy [illegible] Aquaman's stronger [illegible] fighting the [illegible] the kingdom as Aqualad. Mera [illegible] from an alternate dimension [illegible] queen. Aquaman defeated [illegible] villains including Black Manta [illegible] and his own half-brother, Ocean Master. [illegible] Mera eventually produced an heir—Arthur Jr. [illegible] called Aquababy. The throne of Atlantis [illegible]

ATLANTIS [illegible]

Death in the family [illegible]

Plunge into the Depths

[illegible]

New Calling

Aqua[illegible] Atlantis [illegible]

American Revival [illegible]

Imperiex War

[illegible] the Earth [illegible] Battles [illegible]

KEY STORYLINES

- ***Aquaman: Time and Tide* #1–4 (December 1993 – March 1994):** The origin of Aquaman is tightened up and retold to fit within modern continuity.
- ***Aquaman* (3rd series) #2 (September 1994):** Aquaman loses his left hand in an issue that redefined the character for a new audience.
- ***Aquaman* (4th series) #15 (April 2004):** The King of Atlantis returns to his classic look, and San Diego is submerged following an earthquake.

ALTERNATE EARTHS

Once there were an infinite number of universes – until a being called the Anti-Monitor annihilated all except five, and the surviving heroes collapsed those five into one. Yet this single, merged universe would not hold. The Multiverse burst forth again when Alexander Luthor, brilliant scientist from a reality the Anti-Monitor had wiped out, initiated the Infinite Crisis by constructing a tuning fork that replicated the existing universe fifty-one times. At first, these 52 parallel universes looked identical, until the Venusian worm Mister Mind retroactively altered their histories during a rampage through space-time.

The 52 realities are separated from one another by Source Walls that bound each universe; behind the Source Walls lies the Bleed, which allows certain individuals to make passage from one universe to the next. Intermingling between realities is discouraged by the Monitors, a corps of 52 watchers (one from each plane) who strive to maintain the purity of the Multiverse. The anti-matter universe, home to the Sinestro Corps and the Weaponers of Qward, exists on a separate plane than any of the 52 positive-matter realities.

Earth is a focal point of each universe, and "New Earth" – the first world among the 52 – is the Multiverse's cornerstone. The destruction of New Earth would trigger a chain reaction that would destroy the Multiverse, leaving only the anti-matter universe in its wake.

The 52 parallel universes are named after, and most easily distinguished by, the characteristics of the planet Earth in each.

New Earth
The foundation of the Multiverse, New Earth is home to the primary versions of all super heroes and similar cosmic champions. All other universes are altered copies of New Earth's reality.

Earth-2
On Earth-2, a slightly altered version of the Justice Society of America fought the Axis powers in World War II. In later decades, their descendents have taken up unique heroic identities.

Earth-3
On this evil mirror image of New Earth, the Crime Society of Ultraman, Owlman, Superwoman, Power Ring, and Johnny Quick rule with an iron hand while rogue do-gooders like the Jokester (and the Joker's Daughter) fight for freedom.

Earth-4
Alternate versions of the Question, Blue Beetle, Nightshade, Captain Atom, Judomaster, and the Peacemaker inhabit Earth-4, where they work to find a role for super heroes in a sometimes shadowy world.

Earth-5
A sunny and colorful reality, Earth-5 is home to upbeat versions of Captain Marvel and the Captain Marvel family.

Earth-8
New Earth's heroes do not have any analogues on Earth-8, where a super-powered ruling class has taken root in the form of Lord Havok and the Extremists.

Earth-10
On Earth-10, Adolph Hitler achieved victory in World War II and conquered the planet. Alternate versions of Uncle Sam and the Freedom Fighters [illegible]

Earth-12
Several decades into the future, new Batman Terry McGinnis has taken the mantle from Bruce Wayne to fight old threats in a high-tech Gotham City.

Earth-15
The highly evolved super heroes of Earth-15 have eliminated nearly all crime. Their members include Jason Todd as Batman, Jessica Palmer as the Atom, Donna Troy as Wonder Woman, and Zod and his son Christopher Kent as dual Supermen. The world was recently destroyed by Superman-Prime.

Earth-17
Here, the Atomic Knights struggle to tame a savage planet in the wake of an apocalyptic Great Disaster.

Earth-18
On Earth-18, analogues of the Justice League heroes keep the peace on the Old West's frontier.

Earth-19
In the closing decades of the 19th century, a Victorian-era Batman fights crime in a Gotham City lit by gaslight.

Earth-21
Also known as the New Frontier reality, Earth-21 is where the planet's core heroes became famous during the 1950s and '60s.

Earth-22
This universe, sometimes called the Kingdom Come reality and set several decades in the future, is distinguished by a mistrustful Earth where heroes fight heroes.

Earth-26
A cartoonish reality populated by anthropomorphic animals, Earth-26 counts Captain Carrot and his Zoo Crew among its furry champions.

Earth-30
Also known as the Red Son reality, Earth-30 is where baby Kal-El landed in Earth's Soviet Union during the Cold War of the 1950s, later using his abilities as a Soviet Superman to help Mother Russia dominate the globe.

Earth-31
In this reality, Earth's heroes are led by a pro-government, all-American Superman and a violent, aging Batman. Their differing methods define a world riddled with strife and oppression.

Earth-34
Earth-34, also called the Amazonia reality, is where Wonder Woman first emerged in 19th century England and fought a male-dominated commonwealth in which Jack the Ripper ruled as king.

Earth-43
Batman is a vampire in this dark universe that seethes with the supernatural.

Earth-48
Earth, a devastated war on this reality is used as a neutral warring ground for Martians, Venusians, and other species inhabiting the solar system. The cross-bred survivors of Earth have evolved to become the Forerunners—elite killing machines in the service of the Monitors.

Earth-50
This universe harbors a different lineup of heroes than those on New Earth, with teams including WildC.A.T.S., the Authority, and Gen13.

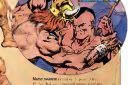
ARAK, SON OF THUNDER

FIRST APPEARANCE WARLORD #48 (August 1981)
STATUS Hero (dec.) **REAL NAME** Arak Red Hand (Bright Sky After Storm)
OCCUPATION Shaman **BASE** 8th century Europe, Asia, N. America
HEIGHT 6ft **WEIGHT** 190 lbs **EYES** Brown **HAIR** Black
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Arak is an expert with an atamahuk and a sword. He also possesses undefined shamanic powers.

[illegible] Odin the Christian's god [illegible] C[illegible]n in a birchwood [illegible] by a roving band of Vikings [illegible] as one of their own. Pronouncing his name "Arak," the young Indian grew to adulthood among the Vikings. Living in Europe Arak became a powerful Viking [illegible] with both a sword and his own weapon, his [illegible].

[illegible] the Vikings who saved and raised Arak were slaughtered. Arak [illegible] of his Viking clan, however, and went off to seek Carolus Magnus, known as Charlemagne. Arak was accepted into Charlemagne's [illegible] the emperor for the rest of his life. Arak did return to North [illegible] however, hoping to rediscover his tribal origins. When Arak was slain [illegible] spirit was summoned before the the elder god He-No, who was actually [illegible] He-No resurrected Arak as a mystical shaman, renewing his life energies [illegible] him to Earth to defend the tribes of natives across North America [illegible] event known as the [illegible] (see Great Battles pp. 362–3) Arak [illegible] the Golden Age heroes known as the ALL-STAR SQUADRON. **PJ**

STORMING THROUGH [illegible] knights, mystics, villains [illegible] the past including [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]



NATIVE WARRIOR [illegible] by [illegible] He-No, Arak was a renowned warrior, feared across Asia and Europe for his skill with [illegible]

HEAVEN AND HELL [illegible] Arcane [illegible] *Hell (left)* [illegible] appearance [illegible]

ARCANE, ANTON

FIRST APPEARANCE SWAMP THING #2 (January 1973)
STATUS Villain (reformed) **REAL NAME** Anton Arcane
OCCUPATION Scientist, demon **BASE** Hell
HEIGHT 5ft 1in **WEIGHT** 97 lbs **EYES** Obsidian **HAIR** White
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES As a human, Arcane was a brilliant [illegible] artist; as a demon he was quick and sturdy.

Born in a Balkan state in 1895, Anton Arcane was obsessed with finding the secret of immortality. During World War II, Arcane was briefly in Adolf Hitler's employ. Later during the war, the time-traveling SWAMP THING took possession of the body of an Easy Company soldier and thwarted Arcane's [illegible] power. The UNKNOWN SOLDIER infiltrated Easy Company, whose operatives gathered Arcane's collection of artifacts, including a replica of the Spear of Destiny.

By the time Arcane became immortal, his body [illegible] too old and feeble to be of any use, so he tried to [illegible] a new body. However, his experiments yielded only misshapen beings he dubbed the Un-Men. One experiment resulted in Arcane's brother, Gregori, becoming the PATCHWORK MAN I. Arcane's hopes were raised when he discovered the Swamp Thing. Arcane survived the battle, and the Un-Men rebuilt his body.

Arcane began a vendetta against the Swamp Thing and his own niece Abby Arcane, Swamp Thing's lover. Arcane was killed, but even confinement in Hell couldn't keep him from seeking vengeance, and he ultimately achieved demonhood. Arcane was summoned from Hell to be present at the first trial set by the Parliament of Flames for Swamp Thing, but by then he had found God. Because of this, Swamp Thing decided not to destroy humanity, and built Arcane a new body. Arcane was later reconciled with Abby. **BG**

ARASHI

FIRST APPEARANCE GREEN LANTERN PLUS #1 (December 1996)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Arashi Ohashi
OCCUPATION Video game designer/adventurer **BASE** Tokyo, Japan
HEIGHT 5ft 5in **WEIGHT** 119 lbs **EYES** Brown **HAIR** Black
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES High-tech weaponry includes a heavily armed motorcycle, right-arm flamethrower, and senses-augmenting cyber helmet; no known superpowers.

One of Japan's super heroes, Arashi Ohashi helps defend her country from all manner of threats with high-end technology of her own design. Arashi [illegible] with GREEN LANTERN Kyle Rayner and the Raven [illegible] magnetic [illegible] Doctor Polaris and prevent a giant [illegible] from wiping Japan off the map. Polaris broke Arashi's [illegible] and nearly killed her, but she [illegible] and resumed her adventures [illegible]. **SB**

LIFE SAVER While battling Doctor Polaris, Green Lantern saved [illegible]

ARES

FIRST APPEARANCE WONDER WOMAN (2nd series) #1 (February 1987)
STATUS Villain **REAL NAME** Ares
OCCUPATION God of War **BASE** The Areopagus
HEIGHT 6ft 10in **WEIGHT** 459 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Blond
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Immortal; god-like strength and stamina; brilliant military strategist; indestructible armor.

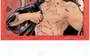
The Greek god of war Ares thrives on bloodshed [illegible] the implacable enemy of WONDER WOMAN, the Amazon peacemaker. Despite being Zeus's son, Ares never fit in with the other gods of Olympus (see OLYMPIAN GODS) and created his own realm, the Areopagus. When he plotted to destroy the mortals' world with a nuclear bomb, the Amazons brought Princess Diana to life as the new Wonder Woman to combat the war god's evil.

Ares then made another bid for supreme power, killing HIPPOLYTA in the process. He suffered torment for his treachery until he effected his [illegible]. Later Ares's children, PHOBOS, DEIMOS, and [illegible] tried to ensure their father's place [illegible] of Earth by raising the Areopagus [illegible] the center of Gotham City.

Ares has taken an interest in the [illegible] new WONDER GIRL, and given her [illegible] lasso similar to Diana's. Ares [illegible] times to push Wonder Girl to [illegible] his champion, supplying [illegible] with powers that dwarf [illegible] originally given her. **DW**

THE DECEIVER *Using a [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] the [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]*

SILVER TONGUE *[illegible] Lance [illegible] both [illegible]*



ARGENT I

FIRST APPEARANCE SECRET ORIGINS (3rd series) #14 (May 1987)
STATUS Hero team **BASE** Unknown
MEMBERS AND POWERS/ABILITIES
Control The mysterious leader. **Falcon** A master of disguise.
Fleur The daughter of notorious World War I spy Mata Hari.
Iron Munro He has superhuman strength and invulnerability.
Phantom Lady I A special device worn on her wrist emits a black light ray creating total darkness. **Phantom** Mysterious master of disguise. **Gina** (deceased) wife of Control; Allied saboteur and spy.

Argent was created in 1951 as the civilian branch of Task Force X. The organization was designed to handle the threat of superpowered criminals after the Justice Society of America was forced to disband by the House Un-American Activities Committee because they refused to reveal their secret identities. Unlike their counterpart in the Suicide Squad, Argent's missions were exclusively domestic and the team operated in secrecy. Their supervisor was known only as Control, the cover name of a former leader of the OSS (Office of Strategic Services). This internal intelligence and espionage organization was captured by Control and he arranged the [illegible] of a government operative [illegible] responsible for [illegible] assassination of President John F. Kennedy in 1963.

SECRET SOCIETY *During the [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] Argent exposed a [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]*

After the death of Control [illegible] began [illegible] the same [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] the Suicide Squad [illegible] U.S. government [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] their existence. **PJ**

ARGENT II

FIRST APPEARANCE TEEN TITANS (2nd series) #1 (October 1996)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Toni Moretti
OCCUPATION Adventurer **BASE** New Jersey
HEIGHT 5ft 8in **WEIGHT** 125 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Black
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Can generate silver plasma and shape it to whatever form she pleases; creates energy platforms and travels astride them at great speeds.

Teenager Toni Moretti first met the TEEN TITANS when the team saved her U.S. senator father from the FEARSOME FIVE. She never dreamed she would ever join them. However, a few years later her skin was mysteriously drained of pigment and her body started to generate silver plasma. Abducted by an alien race, the H'San Natall, Toni learned that she and several other teenagers were the results of a breeding program to create a superpowered advance guard for an attack upon Earth. Toni and her fellow hybrids rebelled against the H'San Natall and sabotaged the invasion. Since the Teen Titans were inactive at the time, the hybrids decided to form their own version.

As Argent, Toni had many tumultuous adventures with various incarnations of the Teen Titans. Toni then found out that her father was involved in drug smuggling, and she was eventually forced to turn him over to the authorities. Much later the Titans disbanded again after the deaths of [illegible] Omen and Troia. Argent's current activities are unknown, although given her drive to succeed, one can safely assume that she is actively polishing her silver plasma skill. **SB**

SHINING LIGHT *Toni's silver plasma is not unlike the element light generated by Green Lantern's power ring.*

ARION, LORD OF ATLANTIS

FIRST APPEARANCE WARLORD #55 (March 1982)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Ahri'ahn
OCCUPATION Atlantean sorcerer **BASE** Mobile
HEIGHT 6ft 3in **WEIGHT** 190 lbs **EYES** Green **HAIR** Brown
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Immortality; vast magical abilities drawn from the extra-dimensional Darkworld.

ATLANTIS! THE NAME IS LEGENDARY [illegible] golden [illegible] was greater than Arion [illegible] mortal Arion came into existence as the product of a union between two Atlantean gods more than half a million years ago. His father Calculhah (a force of good), cared for Arion, then known by the name Ahri'ahn, while his mother Dark Majistra (a force of strife) raised Arion's wicked older brother Garn Daanuth (*see* DAANUTH, GARN). When the two evil entities tried to destroy primitive Atlantis, Arion sacrificed his life to stop them. His energies survived thanks to the extra-dimensional realm of the Darkworld—home to a cosmic entity who serves as the source of all Atlantean magic—and Arion existed for nearly 500,000 years in a state of intangibility.

PROTECTOR OF ATLANTIS

Approximately 45,000 years ago, Arion returned to physical form to serve as the protector of Atlantis. The civilization had reached a peak, with the *homo sapiens* offshoot species the *homo magi* making up a large part of the population and exhibiting a pivotal connection to the forces of the universe. Arion became Lord High Mage of Atlantis, residing in the City of the Golden Gate and fighting the creeping encroachment of ice. He soon fell in love with Lady Chian, and the two battled the still surviving mage Garn Daanuth. Arion played a late-[illegible] [illegible] role alongside heroes from other eras during the Crisis (*see* Great Battles, pp. 362–3).

The continent of Atlantis suffered its first great fracturing when Arion fought off an assault by alien invaders. A bolt of energy shattered the [illegible] Golden Gate and caused much of the continental shelf to slip [illegible] Arion and Lady Chian rapidly dispatched teams to establish [illegible] colonies across the globe, including one in the hidden [illegible] Atlantis's final sinking (involving the tribes of Tritonis [illegible] did not occur until tens of thousands of years later. [illegible] Immortal, Arion wandered the Earth for the next 45,000 years, [illegible] waxing and waning due to changes in the Darkworld. [illegible] 1658 he traveled to modern-day Metropolis and tried to [illegible] Superman [illegible] retire from his role as humanity's protector to [illegible] catastrophe. Despite Arion's alternate-history visions of [illegible] Superman remained unconvinced.

[illegible] centuries into the modern era, Arion cast doubt [illegible] by falsely claiming to [illegible] her grandfather Arion died [illegible] Justice Society of America fight the sorcerer Mordru [illegible] Bill Knightley from Ohio, took up Arion's fight the [illegible] DW

AS TIME GOES BY [illegible] with the [illegible] waning power of the Darkworld.

MAGIC ARCANA His [illegible] with centuries [illegible] study [illegible] arts, made Arion one of the greatest [illegible] of any [illegible] unfortunately made [illegible] this, making him unbearably arrogant.

CAMELOT FALLS [illegible] prophecy [illegible] persons' heroes would prevent humanity [illegible]

KEY STORYLINES
- **ARION, LORD OF ATLANTIS #1 (NOVEMBER 1982):** Arion graduates to his own title after debuting as a backup feature in Warlord.
- **JSA #30 (SEPTEMBER 2003):** Arion passes onto another plane of existence, taking down Mordru the Dark Lord in the process.

ARGUS

FIRST APPEARANCE THE FLASH ANNUAL (2nd series) #6 (1993)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Nick Kovak
OCCUPATION Adventurer **BASE** Keystone City
HEIGHT 5ft 11in **WEIGHT** 185 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Black
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Can become invisible wherever shadows are projected; can see almost the entire spectrum; well-trained hand-to-hand [illegible]

Federal agent Nick Kovak was working at an investigation into Keystone City's criminal organization [illegible] attacked him [illegible] his body [illegible] to be [illegible] [illegible] Flash [illegible] [illegible] fighter [illegible] the [illegible] have worked together [illegible] Nick Kovak [illegible] RG

ARION, LORD OF ATLANTIS

See opposite page

ARISIA

FIRST APPEARANCE TALES OF THE GREEN LANTERN CORPS #1 (May 198[illegible])
STATUS Hero **ASSUMED NAME** Cindy Simpson
OCCUPATION Adventurer **BASE** Space Sector 2815; Los Angeles, CA
HEIGHT 5ft 9in **WEIGHT** 136 lbs **EYES** Gold **HAIR** Blonde
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Arisia's Green Lantern ring can project energy, sense danger, create vehicles and weapons, project battering rams and objects, translate languages, probe minds, and allow unaided flight through space.

Ar[illegible] GREEN LANTERN [illegible] planet [illegible] [illegible] the Guardians of the Universe [illegible] the Green Lantern [illegible] of the Corps [illegible]

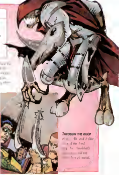
During her first mission [illegible] [illegible] known as the [illegible] Arisia [illegible] Green Lantern of Earth. The teenager later helped Jordan [illegible] the planet Ungara from [illegible] deadly ice age and fell in love with him. Arisia [illegible] [illegible] age her body [illegible] pursue a relationship with [illegible] and after the Crisis (see Great Battles, pp. [illegible]) moved to Earth to be closer to him, joining the [illegible] GREEN LANTERN CORPS based there. Although killed by Major Force, Ar[illegible] [illegible] healing abilities [illegible] and rejoin the Corps. PJ

WITH THIS RING... *The [illegible] barely a teenager [illegible] Green Lantern*

ARRAKHAI

FIRST APPEARANCE ROBIN #79 (July 2000)
STATUS Villain **REAL NAME** Arrakhai
OCCUPATION Evil djinn **BASE** Q'urba Ben Dustem
HEIGHT Variable **WEIGHT** Variable **EYES** Flaming **HAIR** None
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Arrakhai's powers are mystical in nature and are quite formidable. He manifests in the form of an armored demon wielding a flaming scimitar.

[illegible] demon Arrakhai is an evil djinn [illegible] or "Chain of the Damned" [illegible] of Hell. Rather than granting [illegible] Arrakhai instead offers three [illegible] of which the genie will return [illegible] so-called "Well of Flames." In modern times [illegible] was summoned forth by the Arghulian [illegible] zealot and enemy of Tim Drake's [illegible] Ali Ben Khan, Khan (or prince) of [illegible] The Arghulian opposed Khan's rule and [illegible] to see him dead rather than let [illegible] the throne of Dhabar. Tim Drake's [illegible] Robin, in company with Connor Hawk [illegible] ARROW II) and former government [illegible] Eddie Fyers did their best to [illegible] Arrakhai's murderous wrath. However [illegible] salvation lay in a mystical amulet he [illegible] frequently used by his own [illegible] forth the demon to slay his enemies [illegible] turned Arrakhai upon the Arghulian and [illegible] the demon to his abyssal home [illegible] The evil djinn has not been [illegible] SB

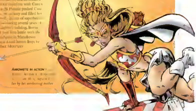


THROUGH THE ROOF
[illegible] and Eddie [illegible] Arrakhai's [illegible] through metal.

ARROWETTE

FIRST APPEARANCE IMPULSE #28 (August 1997)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Cissie King-Jones
OCCUPATION Student **BASE** Western Pennsylvania
HEIGHT 5ft 7in **WEIGHT** 107 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Blonde
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Olympic level athlete; yet to fully master hand-to-hand combat techniques.

[illegible] Bonnie King and [illegible] was raised with high [illegible] in her mother's [illegible] Bonnie had flirted [illegible] costumed heroine [illegible] and adventured [illegible] with Green [illegible] Bonnie pushed Cissie [illegible] archery and filled her [illegible] of superheroes [illegible] several years of [illegible] training, Bonnie [illegible] with the [illegible] in Manchester [illegible] Impulse [illegible] MAX MERCURY [illegible] and Moneyp[illegible] changes [illegible] were upheld and Cissie [illegible] and placed in the [illegible] Pennsylvania [illegible] after the [illegible] According to Dr. Money's [illegible] grew [illegible] the idea of becoming [illegible] than her mother [illegible] starting [illegible] as the costumed crime fighter Arrowette [illegible] joined Young Justice and was enjoying [illegible] identity until [illegible] almost killed [illegible] criminals. She has since renounced her [illegible] and only [illegible] when circumstances [illegible] RG



ARROWETTE IN ACTION [illegible]
[illegible] her by her overbearing mother

ARSENAL

FIRST APPEARANCE ADVENTURE COMICS #250 (July 1958)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Roy Harper
OCCUPATION Adventurer **BASE** Brooklyn, New York City
HEIGHT 5ft 11in **WEIGHT** 195 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Red
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES One of the world's top archers with bow and crossbow. Arsenal is also an expert with most projectile weapons and is a natural leader.

ONCE THE TEEN SIDEKICK OF GREEN ARROW I, Roy Harper endured many painful years in the hero's shadow but emerged as an adult with his own identity. Roy is well acquainted with loss, having been orphaned twice before his fourteenth birthday. When Roy was a baby, his forest ranger father Will died saving Navajo medicine chief Brave Bow from a wildfire. Out of gratitude, Brave Bow raised the boy as his own. Roy became a [illegible] long-distance runner and [illegible] archer [illegible] closely followed the career of the world's greatest archer, GREEN ARROW. One day Green Arrow came to Roy's hometown and Roy impressed his idol with his quick reactions foiling a robbery (earning him the nickname "Speedy").

WEAPONS MASTER [illegible] and still favor the weapons of [illegible] [illegible] but is [illegible] skilled with [illegible]

LIAM [illegible] single father and a super hero, Roy [illegible] time for his daughter.

SHARP SHOOTERS

Brave Bow died [illegible] and Roy became the legal ward [illegible] [illegible] Green Arrow and Speedy [illegible] archery skills [illegible] many of the [illegible] at the same time Green Arrow [illegible] JUSTICE LEAGUE OF AMERICA [illegible] Speedy became a member [illegible] TEEN TITANS alongside Kid Flash [illegible] KID FLASH II), Wonder Girl [illegible] and Aqualad (see TEMPEST).

Yet Roy still felt [illegible] [illegible] a trip with GREEN LANTERN [illegible] and [illegible] Roy [illegible] to drugs [illegible] and became a [illegible] addict. Fortunately, BLACK CANARY helped Roy kick his dependency and he eventually joined the Central Bureau of Investigations. A [illegible] to Japan brought him into intimate contact with the beautiful [illegible] CHESHIRE. When they eventually parted, Roy was unaware she was [illegible] his child. Cheshire later became a prisoner of the government [illegible] gained custody of his daughter Lian.

While working for CHECKMATE, Roy retired the Speedy name for a more fitting identity as Arsenal. After [illegible] leading the Titans and a new [illegible] OUTSIDERS, Arsenal returned to [illegible] adopting an all-new costumed identity as Red Arrow. He gladly accepted membership in the new JUSTICE LEAGUE OF AMERICA and has [illegible] up a romance with his [illegible] HAWKGIRL. DW

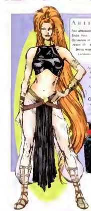
SPEEDY Roy [illegible] [illegible] the [illegible] [illegible] early [illegible]

DRUG HELL [illegible] Roy [illegible]

OUTSIDERS Arsenal led the [illegible] Outsiders against Gorilla Grodd and his ape soldiers when the simian super-villain attempted to invade New York City.

EMOTIONAL MOMENT Roy is [illegible] [illegible] Black [illegible]

KEY STORYLINES
- **GREEN LANTERN #85** (SEPTEMBER 1971): In one of the hero's most shocking moments, Speedy is revealed as a heroin addict.
- **NEW TEEN TITANS (2ND SERIES) #21** (JUNE 1986): After a long tease, Cheshire discloses that Roy Harper is the father of her child.
- **NEW TITANS #99** (JULY 1993): Speedy makes his debut as Arsenal.



ARTEMIS

FIRST APPEARANCE WONDER WOMAN (2nd series) #[illegible] (Sept. 1994)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Artemis
OCCUPATION Minister of Defense **BASE** Themyscira
HEIGHT 6ft **WEIGHT** 166 lbs **EYES** Green **HAIR** Red
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Immortal; an expert hand-to-hand combatant; master swordswoman and archer.

FATE Artemis sacrificed herself to save Diana, fulfilling a mystic prophecy.

Artemis is a member of the warrior-like Amazons of Bana-Mighdall, descendants of the Amazon queen Antiope. Unlike the peace-loving Amazons of Themyscira (led by Antiope's sister Hippolyta), Artemis and her tribe were not immortal. Artemis was raised in the [illegible] city of Bana-Mighdall and [illegible] mastering the art [illegible].

CHAMPION [illegible] powerful Artemis [illegible] formidable.

When the [illegible] sorceress Circe [illegible] the Amazons [illegible] of Bana-Mighdall to Themyscira, home of Princess Diana (Wonder Woman), the two tribes of warrior women fought a [illegible] war. An uneasy peace [illegible] that forced the Egyptian Amazons to settle on a [illegible] part of Themyscira. [illegible] Hippolyta saw the death of her daughter Diana in a prophetic vision. Hoping to save Diana's life she arranged for a new contest to be held in order to choose a new Wonder Woman. With the help of [illegible] sorceress Magala, Hippolyta arranged for Artemis to win the contest and become the new Wonder Woman. She then dispatched the bow-wielding Amazon to Man's World in Diana's place. The warlike, hot-headed Artemis was totally unsuited to the role of diplomat and was Wonder Woman for only a short time before she was murdered by the White Magician.

Rescued from Hades by Diana, who reclaimed her title as Wonder Woman, Artemis briefly joined a group of demon hunters named the Hellenders. After the Amazons [illegible] Artemis became the Shim'Tar, or champion, of her people. Artemis helped [illegible] when Hippolyta ordered the Amazonian invasion of Washington DC. As punishment, Artemis and other Amazons were [illegible]. **PJ**

ARTEMIS III

FIRST APPEARANCE SUICIDE SQUAD (1st series) #35 (November 1989)
STATUS Villain **REAL NAME** None
OCCUPATION Adventurer **BASE** Apokolips
HEIGHT 6ft 3in **WEIGHT** 189 lbs **EYES** Brown **HAIR** Black
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Furious fighter and an archer with unerring aim; commands pack of cybernetic warhounds.

The origin of Artemis is known [illegible] Darkseid [illegible] and formed [illegible] Artemis [illegible] with the Suicide Squad. Artemis [illegible] and [illegible] killed [illegible] **SB**

ARUNA

FIRST APPEARANCE BATGIRL ANNUAL # [illegible] (2000)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Unrevealed
OCCUPATION Stuntperson **BASE** Madras, India
HEIGHT 6ft 0in **WEIGHT** 153 lbs **EYES** Brown **HAIR** Black
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Born with the ability to shift her shape and [illegible] can imitate other humans perfectly.

Aruna Shende is the alias for a superpowered shape shifter [illegible] a stuntperson in the Indian film industry. [illegible] born a shape shifter, so while her parents never knew [illegible] whether the child truly was Shende and his/[illegible] babies. By caste, lived in the slums of [illegible].

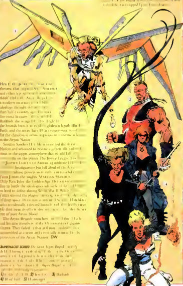
[illegible] Shende's parents were taken away by [illegible] seen again. Devastated [illegible] from city to city using his/her [illegible] abilities to steal food and procure whatever [illegible] available. One day Shende overheard a [illegible] about [illegible] and joined the cast [illegible] worked for named him/her [illegible] and Shende kept the [illegible] gaining a reputation as [illegible] and stuntperson in [illegible] film industry. After [illegible] with Batgirl [illegible] saved a young [illegible] been kidnapped [illegible] himself [illegible] desire to [illegible] shapeshifting [illegible] like a [illegible] his/her own [illegible]. **RG**

SHAPE [illegible]

ARYAN BRIGADE

FIRST APPEARANCE JUSTICE LEAGUE TASK FORCE #10 (March 1994)
STATUS Villain team **BASE** Pine Heights, Nebraska
MEMBERS AND POWERS
Backlash Whip-like extendible arms
Blind Faith Blind telepath with supernatural tracking abilities
Golden Eagle II Soaring flight on mechanical wings
Heatmonger [illegible] of flame
Iron Cross Superhuman strength

SINGLE MINDED [illegible] Aryan Brigade [illegible] [illegible] trapped [illegible]



Hen[illegible] rhetoric that inspired [illegible] and other [illegible] Adolf Hitler [illegible] Aryan Brigade [illegible] a modern incarnation [illegible] ideology thought dead [illegible] than half a century ago. [illegible] five meta-humans [illegible] Backlash, the winged [illegible] Eagle II, the brutish Iron Cross, the [illegible] telepath Blind Faith, and the [illegible] Heatmonger [illegible] for the clandestine [illegible] known as the Aryan Nation.

Senator Sanders [illegible] led the Aryan Nation and schemed to release a [illegible] virus in the upper atmosphere that would kill [illegible] on the planet. The Justice League Task [illegible] JUSTICE LEAGUE OF AMERICA [illegible] headquarters but fell afoul of the A[illegible] whose powers were [illegible] J'onn J'onzz, the mighty MARTIAN MANHUNTER. Only Rex Tyler, the Golden Age [illegible] free to battle the ideologues whose [illegible] so hard to defeat during World War II. While J'onzz steered the plague [illegible] of deep space. [illegible] who accidentally infected himself [illegible] He died from its effects [illegible] not of pure Aryan blood.

The Aryan Brigade [illegible] and became members of the [illegible] They failed [illegible] reassembled as a team and eventually [illegible] protectors of the Aryan Nation. DW

SUPREMACIST SCREED [illegible] Aryan Brigade [illegible]

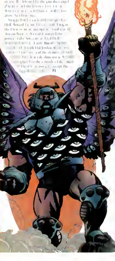
1) [illegible] **2)** Iron Cross **3)** Backlash
4) Blind Faith **5)** Heatmonger

ASMODEL

FIRST APPEARANCE JLA #7 (July 1997)
STATUS Villain **REAL NAME** Asmodel
OCCUPATION Angel **BASE** Heaven
HEIGHT 10ft **WEIGHT** 800 lbs **EYES** Red **HAIR** Brown
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Wields a flaming staff and is immortal and invulnerable, with vast superstrength, superspeed, a devastating cry, acidic blood, and flying ability. He has few rivals as a military commander.

In Heaven the angel Asmodel was formerly the Lord [illegible] of the Bull [illegible] the Cherubim Alpha Battalion. He was the highest ranked and [illegible] of the [illegible] the Angel Army [illegible] Heaven [illegible] Rebellion [illegible] Asmodel [illegible] against the [illegible] eventually defeated by the guardian angel Zauriel [illegible] America [illegible]

[illegible] Hell, Asmodel [illegible] the Demon [illegible] Neron [illegible] Asmodel [illegible] power [illegible] Earth [illegible] with Hal Jordan [illegible] and the demons [illegible] placed in the custody of the [illegible] PJ



ATLAN

FIRST APPEARANCE ATLANTIS CHRONICLES #5 (July 1990)
STATUS Unresolved **REAL NAME** Atlan
OCCUPATION Sorcerer **BASE** Atlantis
HEIGHT 6ft 5in **WEIGHT** 220 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Blond
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Master of dark arts long forgotten by his people; developed a potion that allowed Atlanteans to live on land for extended periods of time, prolonging their lives; now survives as a spirit of unpredictable temperament and vast magical powers.

[illegible] Atlan [illegible] As he grew [illegible] For a while, he was [illegible] When he returned [illegible] the surface. His revelations [illegible] further world.

[illegible] Atlantis Queen [illegible] The child [illegible] He grew to [illegible] and the [illegible] Atlan [illegible] with [illegible] The child [illegible] to [illegible] Ocean Master [illegible] gifted [illegible] wil [illegible] RG

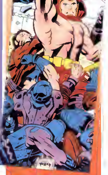
MAGICAL [illegible]

ATLAS

FIRST APPEARANCE First Issue Special #1 (April 1975)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** None
OCCUPATION Champion **BASE** Hyssa
HEIGHT 6ft 5in **WEIGHT** 250 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Brown
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Superhuman strength.

In ancient times, in a faraway land, [illegible] Atlas [illegible] Hyssa [illegible] Atlas [illegible] the Crystal Mountain [illegible] his village [illegible] Atlas [illegible] Hyssa [illegible]

[illegible] Atlas escaped [illegible] Atlas's [illegible] rescue [illegible] tyrants and defeat evil powers. Finally arriving in the capital city of Hyssa, Atlas touted his strength in the marketplace, where he fought challengers one-on-one. [illegible] Atlas eventually succeeded in taking his [illegible] Hyssa. DW



ATMOS

FIRST APPEARANCE Legion of Super-Heroes (3rd series) #32 (1987)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Marek Russon
OCCUPATION Uncanny Amazer; former athlete
BASE The planet Xanthu in the 31st century
HEIGHT 6ft 7in **WEIGHT** 220 lbs **EYES** White **HAIR** Red
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Nuclear-based powers include superstrength, speed, and flight; projects powerful nuclear bolts from his hands; generates a protective force field; can survive unaided in the vacuum of space.

[illegible] Xanthu [illegible] Hearn [illegible] Xanthu government [illegible] A child media [illegible] athlete Marek Russon [illegible] by the Tribune of Xanthu [illegible] replacement [illegible] Star Boy [illegible] inducted into the [illegible] Super-Heroes, Russon was [illegible] experiments that transformed [illegible] The nuclear-powered [illegible] Amazers' most powerful [illegible] when the alien [illegible] took over Xanthu and [illegible] Soon after C.O.M.P.U.T.O. [illegible] Xanthu [illegible] not before Atmos [illegible] to popular [illegible] RJ

ATOM

First appearance (Atom I) ALL AMERICAN COMICS # 19 (October 1940)
Status Hero (deceased) ***Real name*** Al Pratt
Occupation Professor of Nuclear Physics ***Base*** Calvin College
Height 5ft 1 in ***Weight*** 150 lbs ***Eyes*** Blue ***Hair*** Red
Special powers/abilities Skilled in the "sweet science" of boxing, Al Pratt packed an even mightier punch when he gained atomic strength, which also greatly enhanced his agility and kept him fighting for many decades later.

First appearance (Atom II) SHOWCASE #34 (October 1961)
Status Hero ***Real name*** Raymond "Ray" Palmer
Occupation Professor of Physics ***Base*** Ivy Town
Height 6ft ***Weight*** 180 lbs ***Eyes*** Brown ***Hair*** Auburn
Special powers/abilities Can shrink to any size, no matter how minuscule, either retaining the heft of his original 180 pounds or weighing next to nothing. He has mastered fighting techniques at various sizes. At sub-atomic size, the Atom can travel virtually anywhere on Earth via telephone transmissions, surfing microwaves or other electronic impulses.

First Appearance (Atom III) DCU: Brave New World (2006)
Status Hero ***Real name*** Ryan Choi
OCCUPATION Professor of physics ***Base*** Ivy Town
Height 5 ft 8 in ***Eyes*** Black ***Hair*** Black
Special powers/Abilities Similar shrinking powers to those of Ray Palmer, powered by a size-changing belt.

THE MIGHTY MITE

AL PRATT WAS A "98-POUND WEAKLING" [illegible] he met [illegible] Morgan. Morgan transformed the young man into a "little [illegible] [illegible] putting the pint-sized Pratt through a grueling [illegible] [illegible] his weight. While Morgan groomed Pratt for a [illegible] [illegible] career, his pupil had other plans. Pratt became the [illegible] [illegible] costumed crime fighter with a formidable [illegible] [illegible] JUSTICE SOCIETY OF AMERICA and ALL-STAR [illegible] [illegible] atomic strength and agility in 1948 as a result [illegible] during a battle with Cyclotron, a scientist forced [illegible] [illegible] ULTRA HUMANITE. Later married to his sweetheart Mary, [illegible] [illegible] to take his fighting togs out of mothballs if the [illegible] [illegible] while aiding the JSA during the Zero Hour crisis [illegible] pp. 362–3), the Atom died battling the villain Extant [illegible] Pratt [illegible] [illegible] Atom.

LITTLE BIG MAN
[illegible] powers [illegible] shown [illegible] in his first [illegible]

PART-TIMER
[illegible]

ATOM II

[illegible]

Tragically [illegible] affected [illegible] back [illegible]

During [illegible] SB/DW

RYAN CHOI The [illegible] Atom [illegible]

KEY STORYLINES

- ***Zero Hour #3 (September 1994):*** The Atom I perishes alongside his JSA teammate Hourman I in an attempt to stop Extant's timestream tamperings.
- ***The Atom #1 (July 1962):*** The Atom II first battles the Plant Master (The Floronic Man).
- ***Sword of the Atom #1 (September 1983):*** In the South American jungle, Ray Palmer befriends the alien Katarthans and becomes their sword-wielding super-heroic defender!

ATOMIC KNIGHT

FIRST APPEARANCE STRANGE ADVENTURES #117 (June 1960)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Gardner Grayle
OCCUPATION Protector **BASE** S.T.A.R. Labs, Alexandria, Virginia
HEIGHT 6ft 1in **WEIGHT** 187 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Red
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Battlesuit enables Grayle to imprison enemies in a stasis field; attached weapon fires powerful bursts of heat or cold; suit's solar power cells operate even in the reduced light of a nuclear winter. Grayle is courageous, with some precognitive powers.

S.T.A.R. Labs needed a test subject as they made contingencies for a nuclear holocaust. They chose Army Sergeant Gardner Grayle, who believed atomic weapons gave war a bad name. When the would-be universe-conqueror AGAMEMNO threatened the planet Rann, Grayle was urged to suit up in the Lab's prototype armor. He served as one of the SEVEN SOLDIERS OF VICTORY, taking the name of original member SHINING KNIGHT. Grayle later tested the armor within a virtual reality that went awry and needed aid from SUPERMAN. Grayle's long-term sensory deprivation allowed his mind to develop beyond normal limits, and he predicted many future crises. He took the name Atomic Knight and resolved to help protect the world. Grayle currently operates out of the ruins of Blüdhaven, while another version of the Atomic Knights exists on Earth-17. RG

ATOMIC SKULL

FIRST APPEARANCE ACTION COMICS #670 (October 1991)
STATUS Villain **REAL NAME** Joe Martin
OCCUPATION Student turned super-villain **BASE** Metropolis
HEIGHT 6ft **WEIGHT** 185 lbs **EYES** Black **HAIR** None
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Superstrength, enhanced speed and endurance; can fire fiery radiation blasts.

University of Metropolis film student Joe Martin saw his latent metagene activated during the alien invasion of Earth. Transformed into a radiation-seething monster with transparent skin, making it seem as if he had a flaming skull for a head, the delirious Martin came to believe that he was an old movie serial hero named "the Atomic Skull." Martin believed Superman to be the Atomic Skull's archenemy Dr. Electron and battled him accordingly; nothing could shake Martin of his delusion. During the supernatural crisis known as Underworld Unleashed, the Atomic Skull gained improved powers from the demon NERON in exchange for his eternal soul. He is still active in villainy, usually pitting himself against Superman. He prefers to travel on a flying Skull-bike, sometimes seeking out Lois Lane (*see* LANE, LOIS), who resembles the late Eleanor Hart from the Atomic Skull pictures of the 1930s.

Although he didn't know it, Joe Martin was actually the second villain to take the name Atomic Skull. The first, Dr. Albert Michaels of S.T.A.R. Labs, briefly assumed the identity after gaining energy powers from the SKULL criminal syndicate. DW

AUCTIONEER, THE

FIRST APPEARANCE ACTION COMICS #841 (September 2006)
STATUS Galactic menace **REAL NAME** Unknown
OCCUPATION Merchandise broker and auctioneer
BASE Mobile **HEIGHT** Unknown **WEIGHT** Unknown
EYES Red **HAIR** None
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Enhanced strength due to vast size; shrewd negotiator.

The Auctioneer is an immense, vastly powerful alien being with a mania for collecting and resale. Plugged into hundreds of galactic buying networks, the Auctioneer uses his robotic staff to monitor interstellar commerce, keep tabs on his best customers, and forward leads on the locations of exotic treasures. His starship is the size of a city, with storage capacity to house entire buildings.

When the Auctioneer took an interest in Earth, he snapped up monuments from the Eiffel Tower to the Golden Gate bridge until opposed by SUPERMAN. Viewing the Kryptonian as the greatest prize of all, he captured Superman and other metahumans for sale at auction. The Man of Steel allied with SKYROCKET, the VETERAN, NIGHTWING, the new AQUAMAN (Arthur Joseph Curry) and others to escape. After Superman threatened to release the Auctioneer's private database, the alien withdrew. DW

ATOM-SMASHER

FIRST APPEARANCE (as Nuklon) ALL STAR SQUADRON #25 (September 1983); (as Atom Smasher) JSA Secret Files and Origins #1 (August 1999)
STATUS Undecided **REAL NAME** Albert Julian Rothstein
OCCUPATION Car designer, repairman **BASE** New York City
HEIGHT 7ft 6in **WEIGHT** 297 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Red
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Can manipulate his body size, growing up to 60ft high and weighing up to 34,950 lbs; increased density gives him low-level invulnerability; can phase through solid objects.

[illegible] of America. Al Rothstein [illegible] called Infinity Inc. and called himself Nuklon. He [illegible] the ability [illegible] phase [illegible] solid matter [illegible]

[illegible] subsequently [illegible] INFINITY INC. and then briefly the JUSTICE LEAGUE OF AMERICA. After being dismissed from the JLA, Nuklon changed his name to Atom Smasher and was recruited [illegible] to join the new JSA, thereby fulfilling a lifelong dream. When Atom Smasher's mother was murdered by the terrorist KOBRA in a bombing attack, Atom-Smasher managed to alter the past so that the [illegible] EXTANT died in his mother's place. During a final [illegible] with Kobra, Atom Smasher helped Black Adam [illegible] the villain [illegible] in Khandaq, Atom [illegible] the SUICIDE SQUAD and fought his former ally Black [illegible] PJ

SKYSCRAPER [illegible] Atom-Smasher's strength and endurance grows in proportion.

BLACK ADAM [illegible]

AXIS AMERICA

FIRST APPEARANCE YOUNG ALL STARS #1 (June 1987)
STATUS Villain team **BASE** Unknown
CURRENT MEMBERS AND POWERS
Flashburn Can emit blasts of atomic fire.
Great White Armed with an electrified whip and a whalebone gauntlet blade.
Hel (Vala Shepherd) A winged Valkyrie-like warrior who wields an energized battleaxe.
Ubermensch (Ve Shepherd) Superstrong, bulletproof juggernaut.
Scimitar wielding wraith cloaked in his demon lords fleet, a teleporter.

[illegible] Axis America [illegible] World War II [illegible] America [illegible] SB

AXIS OF EVIL [illegible] **1)** Hel **2)** Zala [illegible] **3)** [illegible] **4)** [illegible] **5)** [illegible]

AZAZEL

FIRST APPEARANCE SANDMAN (2nd series) #4 (April 1989)
STATUS Demon **REAL NAME** Azazel
OCCUPATION A ruler in Hell **BASE** Hell
HEIGHT Variable **WEIGHT** Variable **EYES** Variable **HAIR** Variable
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Commands mystic and eldritch forces that allow him to reshape matter or eradicate a demon from existence.

The Bible says that Azazel [illegible] fallen angel in the [illegible] Aaron placed the [illegible] and then [illegible] hence the term scapegoat [illegible] also [illegible] of war who [illegible] how to [illegible] kind of war [illegible] Milton [illegible] giving Azazel the standard [illegible] alongside [illegible] Azazel has battled the [illegible] struggle [illegible] SANDMAN [illegible] of the underworld's most [illegible] be underestimated. RG

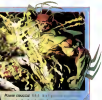
AZTEK

FIRST APPEARANCE AZTEK: THE ULTIMATE MAN #1 (August 1996)
STATUS Hero (deceased) **REAL NAME** Uno
OCCUPATION Hero, doctor **BASE** Vanity City
HEIGHT 6ft 2in **WEIGHT** 185 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Blond
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Helmet controlled biofeedback gives him superstrength, superspeed, superhearing, telescopic vision, X-ray vision, infrared vision, invisibility, density control, and flight.

[illegible] of the [illegible] struggle [illegible] world [illegible] specially [illegible] for the [illegible] City [illegible] LANE [illegible] JUSTICE [illegible] MARTIAN [illegible] Q Foundation [illegible]

[illegible] the JLA [illegible] Aztek [illegible] beyond [illegible] Aztek [illegible] alongside [illegible] the JLA [illegible] fought valiantly during their conflict with [illegible]

AZTEK ARMOR [illegible] technology.



POWER STRUGGLE [illegible]

AZRAEL

First appearance BATMAN: SWORD OF AZRAEL #1 (October 1992)
Status Hero **Real name** Jean Paul Valley
Occupation Adventurer **Base** Gotham City
Height 6 ft 2 in **Weight** 210 lbs **Eyes** Blue **Hair** Blond
Special powers/abilities Physically and psychologically programmed by scientists of the Order of St. Dumas to be an assassin; superb combat skills, great strength, speed, and agility; powers triggered by putting on special costume and using the name Azrael.

THE AVENGING ANGEL

As a Gotham University student, Jean Paul Valley had no inkling of the larger forces acting on his life. But when his dying father revealed the truth, Jean Paul willingly took up the mantle of Azrael, the champion assassin of a Crusader-era fraternity of warrior-priests, the ORDER OF ST. DUMAS. In modern times, the Order had become a secret society with few members but uncountable riches. For centuries the "avenging angel Azrael" had been their silent enforcer—actually an Order member trained from birth to silence those who failed to observe the Order's strict code of secrecy. The role of Azrael was passed down from father to son, and Jean Paul suddenly realized he was heir to a long tradition. His life as the shadowy avenger Azrael would last for many years. Throughout this time, conflicting feelings toward the role that had been forced on him before he was even born plunged him into bouts of severe depression. His costume would also undergo a number of changes in design and equipment, the better to reflect the various alterations in his emotional state.

TEST-TUBE HORROR *Jean Paul's biological mother was horrified to discover that the egg she had donated to the Order of St. Dumas had been appropriated for a scientific program. The Order's fanatical scientists were busily mingling the fetus's genetic makeup with animal DNA to create a being of great strength capable of killing without remorse. The poor mother was condemned to die, but escaped thanks to a merciful priest, and has remained in hiding ever since.*

THE SYSTEM

In Switzerland, Jean Paul trained under the dwarf Nomoz, who triggered the deep hypnotic implants that Jean Paul had been unaware he possessed. "The System," a regimen of hypnosis and personal conditioning, turned Jean Paul Valley into a formidable fighter.

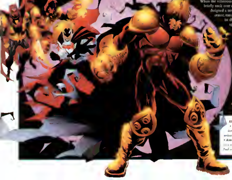
He tested his new skills on BATMAN, who had travelled to Switzerland on the trail of the St. Dumas renegade Carleton LeHah. As Azrael, Jean Paul lost the fight—but he nevertheless rescued Bruce Wayne from LeHah. Jean Paul then returned to Gotham City and continued his training as Azrael under Robin's guidance.

When the villainous Bane broke Batman's back, Jean Paul briefly took over as Gotham City's Dark Knight. He designed a new, Azrael-inspired bat costume with heavy armor, razor talons, and hidden weapons. Though he defeated Bane, he lost his internal struggle against the hypnotic goading of the System. Jean Paul became increasingly violent and finally lost his mind. Bruce Wayne, restored to full fitness, defeated him and reclaimed the mantle of Batman. Jean Paul, after a period of misery and soul-searching, became Azrael once more.

Azrael moved against the Order's scientists who originally brainwashed him, culminating in a battle inside the Order of St. Dumas' headquarters, the Ice Cathedral. The destruction of the Cathedral wiped out the last traces of the Order. Jean Paul, however, did not live long enough to enjoy the fruits of his success—he apparently perished in a shootout, ending the career of Gotham's angel of vengeance. **DW**

BACK AGAIN *It wasn't long before Bruce Wayne returned to the role he coveted.*

IMAGE CHANGES *Doubts over his Azrael role have led Jean Paul to revamp his outfit several times.*



KEY STORYLINES

- **BATMAN #500 (OCTOBER 1993)** Jean Paul Valley donned the Azrael/Bat armor for the first time and embarked on a career as Gotham's new Batman.
- **AZRAEL, AGENT OF THE BAT #100 (MAY 2003)** Azrael's lengthy costumed vigilante career came to a violent end when Jean Paul was seemingly killed.

AMAZING VEHICLES

NOT ALL HEROES can fly unaided or run at lightspeed. From Batman's Batmobile, which evolved from armored sedan into all-terrain tank, to WONDER WOMAN's invisible plane, an alien craft cloaked from Earthly technology, some of the world's greatest adventurers have the help of extraordinary vehicles. This fleet, created with magic or science (or both), are primed to sweep their owners to their destinations.

BATMOBILE

[illegible] parallel for speed or [illegible] the world's fastest race cars. Add to [illegible] accelerate from [illegible] and shielded in a [illegible] the Batmobile is [illegible]

BAT SECURITY *The [illegible] equipped [illegible] devices, [illegible] filled [illegible]*

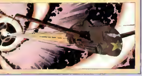
BAT PLANE *A [illegible] fighter [illegible] capable of speed of 4,000 m.p.h. the Batplane [illegible] through the [illegible] faster than any military war craft.*

JUSTICE SOCIETY OF AMERICA'S SHUTTLE CRAFT BOX

When the alien tyrant Imperiex [illegible] to negate the Big Bang, President Lex Luthor [illegible] sent every member of the JUSTICE SOCIETY OF AMERICA on a space mission to save the planet. The JSA rocketed across the galaxy in their Star Racer space shuttle, defeated Imperiex and his probes, and saved the populace of Daxam (*see* Alien Races pp. 166–7) from Imperiex's planet-sized ship.

The Star Racer is outfitted with protective shields, offensive weaponry, and warp drive capabilities, [illegible] good for [illegible] [illegible] state.

STAR RACER *The JSA Star Racer can warp across galaxies, outfitted with technology from Earth and Thanagar. The Star Spangled Kid drove a flying car called the Star Rocket Racer [illegible]*



ROBIN'S BIKES

This special [illegible] Robin's only specialized vehicle. While his primary mode of transportation [illegible] sports coupe [illegible] Robin also rides a modified [illegible] motorcycle [illegible] many motorcycles in Batman's vehicular arsenal, the [illegible] chassis and windshield of bulletproof [illegible] of over 150 m.p.h. [illegible] armed with special [illegible] dampers [illegible] of the sleekest [illegible] the road.

Wonder Woman's Invisible Jet

A morphing, nearly invisible plane created by the alien Lansinarians, Wonder Woman's transparent transport is capable of changing into any number of shapes, from a fully submersible submarine to a space-worthy shuttlecraft. After acquiring [illegible] Wonder Woman discovered that her invisible plane was a living organism from a world called the Ring. Queen Hippolyta used the plane during her time as Wonder Woman, and after the destruction of Themyscira during the Imperiex War (see Great Battles, pp. 322-3) Wonder Woman used its miraculous technology to endow the island with wondrous new morphing architecture that [illegible] Amazons' every requirement.

Alien plane ↓
Wonder Woman Hippolyta flew this Invisible Plane over the [illegible] of the U.S. and Europe during World War II.

Manta Ship
A sleek submarine shaped like giant manta rays, the [illegible] Manta Ship is the villainous Black Manta's underwater headquarters, capable of submerging to extreme depths. Black Manta [illegible] vehicle [illegible] shape.

The Supercycle
Created by the Forever People and originally piloted by B[illegible] Boom [illegible] New Genesis [illegible] equipped with [illegible]

Blue Beetle's Bug
A [illegible] It is also able to [illegible] over 1000 mph. PJ

BAD SAMARITAN

FIRST APPEARANCE THE OUTSIDERS (1st series) #3 (January 1986)
STATUS Villain **REAL NAME** Unknown
OCCUPATION Agent provocateur **BASE** Mobile
HEIGHT 6ft 7in **WEIGHT** 190 lbs
EYES Unknown (hidden by dark glasses) **HAIR** Black
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Is a superb hand-to-hand combatant and ruthless assassin; is both a master of disguise and covert espionage.

The Bad Samaritan is a spy for hire, a [illegible] depending on his payment. His [illegible] organization is a mystery, and he claims allegiance to no particular organization, working [illegible] enemy. He has played [illegible] the U.S. [illegible] U.S.S.R., the former Soviet Union at [illegible] to a team, although each will disavow [illegible] were operating in [illegible] While in the U.S.S.R. employ, the Bad Samaritan helped the Soviet government obtain [illegible] information on metahumans, the [illegible] and the Force of July, as part of a plan to [illegible] communism to create a Soviet super [illegible] Later the Bad Samaritan also [illegible] saving the Outsiders, leaving [illegible] stranded on an island somewhere [illegible] Ocean. The Bad Samaritan [illegible] the ranks of the United Nations [illegible] What [illegible] SB

BALLOON BUSTER

FIRST APPEARANCE ALL-AMERICAN MEN OF WAR #112 (December 1965)
STATUS Hero (deceased) **REAL NAME** Steve Henry Savage, Jr.
OCCUPATION Lieutenant, U.S. Army Air Corps **BASE** France
HEIGHT 5ft 11in **WEIGHT** 178 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Blond
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES A matchless marksman with any firearm and an accomplished biplane pilot.

The son of legendary cowboy [illegible] Brian "Scalphunter" Savage, Steve was raised in Montana, Butte, Wyoming, by a [illegible] farmer named Jennings.

The boy became a [illegible] marksman [illegible] learned to [illegible] gun [illegible] who [illegible] At his dying [illegible] Steve [illegible] making Savage [illegible] be remembered [illegible] during in the U.S. A[illegible] Corps [illegible] World War I. Steve repeatedly [illegible] and [illegible] German [illegible] Savage [illegible] Savage disappeared [illegible] RG

BANE

FIRST APPEARANCE BATMAN: VENGEANCE OF BANE #1 (January 1993)
STATUS Villain **REAL NAME** Unknown
OCCUPATION Adventurer **BASE** Gotham City
HEIGHT 6ft 8in **WEIGHT** 350 lbs
EYES Brown **HAIR** Brown
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Brilliant strategist and polylinguist with near superhuman strength while on the steroid Venom (pumped into his system via tubing in his helmet).

Bane will forever be remembered as the man who broke the Bat. More than three decades ago, Bane's father received a life sentence from the Santa Prisca government for his role in a failed revolution. He fled the country, but Santa Priscan law demanded that his son take his place. The child that would become Bane was raised inside Peña Duro prison (mostly in a pit called the Cavidad Oscuro). Bane killed dozens of inmates and engineered a jailbreak when experiments with the drug Venom gave him monstrous strength.

Winding up in Gotham City, Bane exhausted **BATMAN** by freeing all the villains from Arkham Asylum. He then crippled the Dark Knight by snapping his spine. Jean Paul Valley (**AZRAEL**) donned the Batman garb and beat Bane into a coma.

Bane returned to a life of wickedness, shaking off his dependence on Venom and allying himself with **RA'S AL GHUL**. After a falling-out with the immortal would-be conqueror, he sabotaged Ra's al Ghul's network of life-extending Lazarus Pits. After finding his father **KING SNAKE**, Bane killed **JUDOMASTER** during the Infinite Crisis, ending a brief period of semi-heroism. He has since led a revolution in Santa Prisca and joined the **SUICIDE SQUAD**, winding up on a prison planet alongside dozens of other villains. **DW**

CHILDHOOD TRAUMA *In prison, Bane found solace in books and a teddy bear given to him by a Catholic missionary.*

REDEMPTION *Now a blank slate, Bane must decide whether he will be an enemy or an ally in the Batman's future.*

BARD, JASON

First appearance DETECTIVE COMICS #392 (October 1969)
Status Hero **Real name** Jason Bard
Occupation Adventurer **Base** Gotham City
Height 6ft **Weight** 175 lbs **Eyes** Brown **Hair** Brown
Special powers/abilities Above average hand-to-hand fighter, marksman, and criminologist; a superb athlete despite his injury.

Jason Bard's father abandoned the [illegible]ng boy and his mother. Rose [illegible] murdered her. Bard vowed [illegible] find him, despite having no [illegible]al evidence of his father's [illegible] and no memory of his father's face.

Bard ended up joining the Marines and was shot and crippled [illegible] he was overseas. He returned [illegible] the U.S. and entered college on the [illegible] Bill, majoring in criminology. He later set up a private investigation firm [illegible] Gotham City. There the intelligent [illegible] occasionally cocky Bard began [illegible] Barbara Gordon (later ORACLE). She was the daughter of [illegible] Police Commissioner James [illegible] (see GORDON, JAMES W.) [illegible] that time secretly operating as the super-heroine BATGIRL.

Bard was temporarily blinded on a case in Rheelasia, a country in South [illegible] sight was restored after an experimental [illegible] once more to pursue Barbara, but this [illegible] PJ

BARON BLITZKRIEG

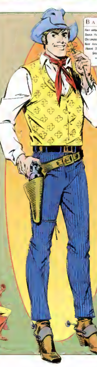
First appearance WORLD'S FINEST COMICS #246 (September 1977)
Status Villain **Real name** Reiter (first name unknown)
Occupation Terrorist **Base** Nazi Germany **Height** 6ft 6in
Weight 345 lbs (armored) **Eyes** Blue **Hair** Black
Special powers/abilities Psychic abilities enable Blitzkrieg to control his physical functions. He can channel these functions one at a time, enabling weak heat vision, among other highly useful abilities.

Nazi leader Adolf Hitler rewarded the [illegible] Prussian [illegible] Neman's loyalty by making him a[illegible] camp [illegible] during World War II. A prisoner assaulted Reiter with a vial of acid, which destroyed his features. Despite surgery to repair the damage, Reiter hid his face behind a golden mask. Hitler then tried an experiment, which unleashed the man's latent psychic powers, marking Reiter's first step to becoming a human fighting machine for the Third Reich. Clad [illegible] flexible battle armor, Baron Blitzkrieg was born, terrorizing Europe and America, and battling the ALL-STAR SQUADRON. He also had numerous bouts with QUEEN HIPPOLYTA, the Golden Age Wonder Woman. He had run-ins with Iron Munro and PHANTOM LADY [illegible] as the Cold War progressed, and at least one clash with SUPERMAN in the 1950s.

Now known simply as the Baron, he is one of the world's most dangerous men. He masterminded the terrorist group Shadowspire, responsible for the destruction of the Capitol Building. RG

BAT LASH

First appearance SHOWCASE #76 (August 1968)
Status Hero (deceased) **Real name** Bartholomew Aloysius Lash
Occupation Outlaw/professional gambler
Base American southwest (late 19th century)
Height 5ft 11in **Weight** 167 lbs **Eyes** Blue **Hair** Blond
Special powers/abilities Good with guns, handy with fists, great with cards; could talk his way out of the tightest jam.



[illegible] was [illegible] Lash killed a [illegible] in self defense. When he [illegible] he discovered that his [illegible] had been murdered and [illegible] the ground. A wanted [illegible] Lash set off across the [illegible] of the man who had killed [illegible]

Despite his unhappy [illegible] Bat Lash presented himself as a [illegible] talking ladies' man, a cowboy dandy [illegible] a flower always in his hat. After he [illegible] caught up with his parents' killer, Bat Lash roamed the western plains having many adventures.

Around the turn of the century, Bat Lash left America to live in the Far East. In the late 1920s, in the twilight of his life, he joined with adventurer Biff Bradley and Hans von Hammer, the ENEMY ACE, to retrieve two swords from the "Isle of Dragons" (the legendary Dinosaur Island) on behalf of the Chinese leader General Chiang Kai-Shek. The appearance of the dangerous VANDAL SAVAGE further complicated what turned out to be Bat Lash's last recorded adventure. DW

Fists of fury [illegible]

BATGIRL

FIRST APPEARANCE BATMAN #567 (JULY 1999)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Cassandra Cain
OCCUPATION Adventurer **BASE** Gotham City
HEIGHT 5ft 5in **WEIGHT** 127 lbs **EYES** Green **HAIR** Black
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES One of the greatest martial artists in the world, a deadly master of nearly all forms of unarmed combat; can "read" the body language of an opponent and predict their moves.

CASSANDRA CAIN IS THE THIRD YOUNG WOMAN to assume the mantle of Batgirl. A young orphan adopted by the master assassin David Cain (*see* CAIN, DAVID) to become his greatest pupil and heir, Cassandra was his most potent student, but was ultimately uninterested in extending his legacy. Seemingly unable to speak, the young Cassandra "spoke" with her body, and learned how to "read" the body language of those around her. Cain trained her in the world's deadliest martial arts, and the young Cassandra soon made her first kill, a Macanese crime kingpin. Sickened by the act the mute girl fled Cain's estate and evil influence and began to travel the world, searching for a new home and a new way of life.

THE NEW BATGIRL

Cassandra found her way to Gotham City just before it was devastated by an earthquake and cordoned off from the rest of the U.S. During that time, she was recruited by mysterious computer hacker ORACLE to act as a messenger in the city, now called No Man's Land. Years earlier, Oracle (Barbara Gordon), daughter of Police Commissioner James Gordon (*see* GORDON, JAMES W.), had been the first Batgirl, until she was shot and crippled by the JOKER. When Cain arrived in Gotham on a mission to assassinate Gordon, Cassandra saved the commissioner from her father's bullet. Impressed by Cassandra's skill and bravery, BATMAN took her under his wing and made her the new Batgirl. Still without a voice, Cassandra quickly took to her new role, hoping to atone for the killing of the gangster all those years ago. Soon after, Batgirl saved a psychic named Jeffers, who was on the run from the cook. Jeffers used his powers to reorder Batgirl's brain, giving her the power of speech, but stripping from her many of her martial arts skills. Batgirl began retraining and sought out LADY SHIVA, then the world's greatest martial artist, for a single lesson she hoped would help her remaster her skills. In a second confrontation with Shiva, Batgirl left her opponent for dead. She then assumed leadership of the League of Assassins, and joined other villainous outfits like Titans East. Batgirl has since redeemed herself by becoming a member of Batman's latest team of OUTSIDERS. PJ

COMBAT *Barely a child herself, Batgirl is nonetheless a frightening force to behold.*

BODY LANGUAGE *No ordinary criminal or super-villain can hope to hold their own against the martial-arts prowess of Batgirl, who was trained to communicate with her body, not with words.*

KEY STORYLINES

- **BATMAN #567-569 (JULY–OCTOBER 1999):** After the Huntress forsakes her temporary role as Batgirl, a mute young girl named Cassandra Cain emerges and takes up the mantle of Batgirl.
- **BATGIRL #6 (AUG 2000):** A psychic gives Batgirl the gift of speech, but strips her of some of her fighting skill.
- **BATGIRL #24 (MAR 2002):** Batgirl and Lady Shiva face off in a duel to the death between the world's two greatest martial artists!
- **BATGIRL #45-50 (DECEMBER 2003–MAY 2004):** When Doctor Death releases Soul, a rage-inducing pathogen, onto Gotham, Batgirl and Batman are forced into a confrontation spanning half of the city, including the destruction of Sprang Bridge!

[illegible]

BAT-MITE

FIRST APPEARANCE DETECTIVE COMICS #267 (May 1959)
STATUS Undefined **REAL NAME** Unknown
OCCUPATION Troublemaker **BASE** Mobile
HEIGHT 2ft 11in **WEIGHT** 47 lbs **EYES** Black **HAIR** Unknown
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Possesses various magical powers, including invisibility, levitation, the animation of inanimate objects, and the endowment of superpowers to others.

[illegible] known as Bat-Mite claims to be the Batman's greatest fan. Winging his way to Earth from [illegible] dimension, he wanted to [illegible] and the Dark Knight. Bat-Mite quickly felt [illegible] contains no useful [illegible] with [illegible] magical powers he needs no such [illegible]. On his subsequent visits to Earth, Bat-Mite [illegible] watching the Caped Crusader in action [illegible]. Bat-Mite frequently feels compelled to use [illegible] to test Batman's fighting prowess and [illegible]. More often than not the Dark Knight [illegible] this diminutive nuisance by tricking him to go back to his home dimension [illegible] to behave properly [illegible]. SB

BLAST BOY

FIRST APPEARANCE DOOM PATROL (1st series) #99 (November 1965)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Garfield Logan
OCCUPATION Teen Titan **BASE** San Francisco
HEIGHT 5ft 8in **WEIGHT** 150 lbs
EYES Green **HAIR** Green
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Can take on the form and abilities of any animal he chooses.

[illegible] to isolate [illegible] found [illegible] and [illegible] young Gar Logan accompanied [illegible] to Africa, where a green furred [illegible] bit him and infected him with the [illegible]. Gar not only turned bright [illegible] found he could change into any [illegible]. Soon afterward, His parents died in [illegible] accident, but Gar found a new [illegible] with Rita Farr (ELASTI-GIRL) and Steve [illegible] of The DOOM PATROL. Gar worked [illegible] Doom Patrol as Beast Boy until the group [illegible] perished in an explosion. Seeking a new [illegible] he joined the cast of the TV show [illegible] [illegible] with Titans West and later the [illegible] [illegible] name Changeling. Gar Logan [illegible] with the [illegible] Titans before [illegible] Doom Patrol. DW

MISSING LINK [illegible] [illegible] superhero game [illegible] become a link between [illegible] Titans and the [illegible]

ANIMAL MAGIC [illegible] [illegible] as a [illegible] [illegible] as a [illegible]

BEAUTIFUL DREAMER

FIRST APPEARANCE FOREVER PEOPLE (1st series) #1 (March 1971)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Unknown
OCCUPATION Adventurer **BASE** Earth
HEIGHT 5ft 6in **WEIGHT** 125 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Black
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Can take images from another's mind and transform them into lifelike three-dimensional illusions.

The woman known as Beautiful Dreamer was born on the planet New Genesis. A powerful psi, [illegible] the Dreamer was kidnapped by DARKSEID during his war against New Genesis and hidden on Earth. There the Dreamer was [illegible] by SUPERMAN and the INFINITY MAN and [illegible] lifelong friends, the FOREVER PEOPLE.

After years on Earth studying the ways of [illegible] the Forever People were forced to relocate to the planet [illegible] to escape Darkseid's agent DEVILANCE the Pursuer. Here they established Forever Town, and Beautiful Dreamer married her lover BIG BEAR. Evil entities called the Dark turned Adon's populace into primitive beings, but the Forever People and the Infinity Man destroyed the Dark, and Dreamer and her allies returned to Earth. Beautiful Dreamer and Big Bear had a daughter, a superhuman named Maya, but their relationship ended soon after. Once romantically involved with TAKION, Beautiful Dreamer lost her life during the Death of the New Gods event. PJ

A BEAUTIFUL MIND Beautiful Dreamer's gentle beauty belie[illegible] [illegible] when using her psychic powers [illegible]

BAYTOR

FIRST APPEARANCE DEMON (3rd series) #43 ([illegible] 1994)
STATUS Villain **REAL NAME** Baytor
OCCUPATION Demon **BASE** Gotham City
HEIGHT 3ft 11in **WEIGHT** 98 lbs **EYES** Red **HAIR** None
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Incredibly focused, durable and nearly invulnerable.

[illegible] who has [illegible] called himself [illegible] always [illegible] When [illegible] Hell [illegible] After [illegible] escaped from Hell, hiding in the [illegible] sought out a life on Earth. He settled [illegible] Gotham City, a community [illegible]. Along the way he encountered gargoyle Tommy Monaghan and became part of his circle of [illegible] and other lowlifes. Eventually he took up bartending at Tommy's hangout, Noonan's. He [illegible] cosmopolitan [illegible] [illegible] only ever says "I am Baytor!" RG

BEEFEATER

FIRST APPEARANCE JUSTICE LEAGUE EUROPE #20 (November 1990)
STATUS Ally **REAL NAME** Michael Mance
OCCUPATION Would-be super hero (retired) **BASE** Ipswich, England
HEIGHT 6ft 4in **WEIGHT** 172 lbs **EYES** Light brown **HAIR** White (balding)
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Collapsible battle rod projects destructive force blasts.

Though [illegible] the British [illegible] Michael Mance [illegible] BBC [illegible] delivery [illegible] just as Michael was born [illegible] Mance himself [illegible] and [illegible] to Justice League International ([illegible] JUSTICE LEAGUE OF AMERICA). Believing the JLI should have a British representative [illegible] Mance [illegible] the battle [illegible] uniform of his father, who fought the Nazis during World War II as the very first Beefeater, often partnered with America's GENERAL GLORY. A [illegible] JLI [illegible] embassy the new [illegible] arrogant [illegible] leadership was interrupted [illegible] accidental battle with [illegible] LANTERN KILOWOG [illegible] building. Later the [illegible] Beefeater battled the [illegible] and suffered [illegible] defeat. Mance apparently learned his lesson and [illegible] Beefeater's [illegible]. SB

BATMAN

THE DARK KNIGHT

FIRST APPEARANCE DETECTIVE COMICS #27 (May [illegible])
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Bruce Wayne
OCCUPATION Industrialist, philanthropist, crime fighter
BASE Gotham City
HEIGHT 6ft 2in **WEIGHT** 210 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Black
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES
Master detective with a brilliant deductive mind, quite possibly the greatest martial artist alive. Bat-costume is bulletproof and [illegible], featuring a weighted cape and a cowl outfitted with [illegible] technology and communications arrays; utility belt contains an arsenal of crime fighting gear, including various types of offensive Batarangs, de-cel jumplines and grapnels, micro camera, smoke pellets, acetylene torch, gas mask, rebreather and flex-cuffs among other miniaturized non-lethal weapons; employs a variety of detective gadgets, including micro-computers and crime scene analysis kits; maintains a fleet of high-tech and high-powered vehicles, chief among them the Batmobile, Batcycle, Batboat, Batplane and Batcopter; super high-tech Batcave headquarters houses training facilities, [illegible] labs, computer databases, and maintenance [illegible] vehicles.

ALLEY SLAYING [illegible]

A FAMILY OF [illegible] young Bruce Wayne [illegible] Thomas and [illegible] Martha [illegible] Gotham City [illegible] Crime Alley [illegible] [illegible] Alfred Pennyworth [illegible] Bruce [illegible]

FIRST ISSUE [illegible]

BECOMING BRUCE WAYNE [illegible]

DARK INSPIRATION [illegible]

A FAMILY AFFAIR

The addition of Robin to his nightly crusade helped Batman in more ways than he would ever admit. However, when Dick Grayson outgrew [illegible] Nightwing, the Batcave became a lonely [illegible] for the Dark Knight, especially after Jason Todd's [illegible] and the crippling of Barbara Gordon (a.k.a. Batgirl and Oracle), both suffered at the hands of the Joker. For a time, Bruce [illegible] until [illegible] Tim Drake convinced the Dark Knight that he needed a Robin [illegible]

FAMILY [illegible]

BATMAN BEGINS

[illegible]

HITTING BACK [illegible]

BROKEN BAT

Tragedy [illegible] struck when the [illegible] Bane, after forcing Batman to fight many of his most powerful [illegible] broke Batman's back. Jean Paul Valley (Azrael) took on the Dark Knight's role while Bruce recuperated from his injuries. This new Batman was more violent and unstable. Bruce [illegible] action [illegible] healed and he [illegible] fighting spirit with the help of the ruthless martial [illegible] Lady Shiva. Bruce took back the mantle of the Bat by force, but Jean Paul Valley [illegible] a staunch ally as the hero Azrael until his death.

KNIGHTFALL [illegible]

THE LONG HALLOWEEN

[illegible]

DARK TIMES

[illegible]

SOLOMON GRUNDY [illegible]

KEY STORYLINES

- **BATMAN #401–404 (FEBRUARY–MAY 1987).** The Dark Knight's tumultuous beginnings as a costumed crime fighter are chronicled in "Batman: Year One."
- **BATMAN #492 (MAY 1993)** As the epic, multipart "Knightfall" begins, the Caped Crusader fights exhaustion to round up [illegible] set loose by Bane, the villain who would ultimately break the Bat.
- **BATMAN: CATACLYSM/BATMAN: NO MAN'S LAND (TPB COLLECTIONS)** Batman's greatest battle begins as Gotham City is rocked by an earthquake [illegible] leaves the city reduced to rubble and abandoned to anarchy by all except the Dark Knight and his closest allies.

BRUCE WAYNE: MURDERER?

[illegible]

H[illegible]

[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] that time [illegible] the Dark [illegible] Thomas Elliot sought [illegible] childhood companion [illegible] Bruce [illegible] by [illegible] and left him for [illegible] of troubling hints [illegible] Robin had [illegible]

O[illegible] [illegible]

BACK FROM THE GRAVE [illegible]

WITHOUT A TRACE [illegible]

THE RETURN OF JASON TODD

[illegible]

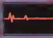
RED HOOD [illegible] [illegible] This puts him at odds with [illegible]

JASON'S REVENGE [illegible] [illegible]

WAR GAMES

[illegible]

STRUCK [illegible]



FLATLINE [illegible]

SECRETS [illegible]

[illegible] CRISIS

[illegible]

OMAC AMOK [illegible] the Infinite Crisis [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] Batman [illegible] conventional ways.

FALLING DOWN [illegible]

THE SON OF BATMAN

While fighting an army of ninja man-bats at a London art gallery, Batman had an unexpected encounter with Talia al Ghul. A decade earlier, Batman had fathered a child with Talia. Though he believed she had miscarried, she had borne a son named Damian, raised according to the deadly teachings of the League of Assassins.

Damian had grown into a petulant, spoiled killer. After arriving at Wayne Manor and the Batcave, Damian nearly killed his rival, Robin, and [illegible] his own Robin uniform from Jason Todd's [illegible] Batman tried to bring his renegade son in, but the boy and his mother vanished in an explosion during a fight at the Rock of Gibraltar.

IF THE CLOTHES FIT [illegible]

AFTER BREAKING [illegible]

THE RESURRECTION OF RĀ'S AL GHŪL

[illegible] for long. His late [illegible] death yet again and [illegible] corpse, Rā's hoped to [illegible] Damian's body and Batman [illegible] but befall them all. In [illegible] Nanda Parbat, Batman battled Rā's [illegible] Damian, Robin, [illegible] Alfred, holding their own against the League of Assassins. Although the monks of Nanda Parbat forced both sides to flee the battlefield, leaving Rā's a malignant threat and Damian back under the care of his mother. Among Batman's recent moves is the creation of an all-new team of Outsiders. DW

MUMMY WRAPS [illegible]

LOW BLOW [illegible] Bat-Family, including the [illegible]

FAMILY FEUD Although Batman and Rā's al Ghūl had fought many times before, the coming of Damian put them into the [illegible] unfamiliar roles of [illegible]

BATWOMAN

First appearance 52 #7 (July 2006)
Status Hero **Real name** Katherine "Kate" Kane
Occupation Crimefighter **Base** Gotham City
Height 5ft 11in **Weight** 145 lbs
Eyes Green **Hair** Red
Special powers/abilities Highly-trained acrobatic combatant aided by an arsenal of high-tech gadgetry

[illegible]

[illegible]

New Title [illegible]

Happy holidays [illegible]

[illegible] DW

KEY STORYLINES
- **52 #11 (July 2006):** Batwoman debuts against Intergang, saving Renee Montoya and the Question
- **52 #48 (April 2007):** Montoya, the new Question, saves Kathy Kane from Bruno Mannheim
- **#1–5 (December 2007–April 2008):** Montoya [illegible] to uncover the Cult of Cain, leaving Batwoman [illegible] question their relationship

BEELZEBUB

FIRST APPEARANCE SANDMAN (2nd series) #4 (April 1989)
STATUS Villain **REAL NAME** None
OCCUPATION Lord of Hell **BASE** Hell
HEIGHT Variable **WEIGHT** Variable
EYES Black **HAIR** None
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Vast demonic powers, full extent unrevealed; usually takes the form of a giant fly

Also called the Lord of the Flies, Beelzebub [illegible] the [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] political [illegible] within Hell. [illegible] Beelzebub ruled Hell with [illegible] and Azazel as part of a triumvirate [illegible] when God sent the angels [illegible] and [illegible] to oversee the infernal realm. Later [illegible] immortal shape and craved [illegible] Kid Eternity and [illegible] spread his evil throughout the [illegible] likely [illegible] the end of time. **DW**

BEK, GARRYN

FIRST APPEARANCE INVASION! #1 (Summer 1989)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Garryn Bek
OCCUPATION Administrator **BASE** The planet Cairn
HEIGHT 5ft 8in **WEIGHT** 159 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Brown
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Exceptional coordinator, starship pilot

A police [illegible] on the [illegible] world of [illegible] Garryn Bek [illegible] a prisoner [illegible] the alien ALLIANCE bent on destroying the [illegible] Bek, his cellmate Vril Dox II, a manipulative super [illegible] and several other prisoners escaped the Alliance [illegible] Colu, Dox's homeworld, to liberate it from the computer tyrants that ruled there. Soon after Bek and Dox returned to Cairn and through not entirely legal means, the Coluan transformed the planet's entire police force into the peacekeeping agency L.E.G.I.O.N.

After being controlled by the Emerald Eye of Ekron until the Eye's apparent destruction, Bek, along with his wife Marij'n, defected from L.E.G.I.O.N. to the freedom fighting R.E.B.E.L.S. after L.E.G.I.O.N.'s take over by Lyrl Dox, Vril Dox's son. [illegible] the reformed L.E.G.I.O.N. under CAPTAIN [illegible] command. **PJ**

BRAINS AND BEAUTY [illegible] Bekka [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] a beauty that gives Orion pause, often leaving the Dog of War stumbling for words!

BEKKA

FIRST APPEARANCE DC GRAPHIC NOVEL #4 The Hunger Dogs (1984)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** None
OCCUPATION Adventurer **BASE** New Genesis
HEIGHT 5ft 7in **WEIGHT** 132 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Black
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Unrevealed, however, like her fellow New Gods, Bekka is remarkably long-lived

Bekka is the daughter of Himon, one of the NEW GODS whose achievements include invention of the sentient Mother Box computers and discovery of the X element that fueled his cocreation of the teleporting Boom Tubes alongside fellow scientist METRON. For many years, Bekka lived with her father in secret on Apokolips as Himon organized an underground uprising against DARKSEID's tyrannical rule. Hunted for his role in this planned insurgence, Himon took extra care to shield Bekka from Darkseid's notice. Himon never imagined that Bekka would fall in love with ORION, Darkseid's own son, when he stumbled into their lives. After healing the wounded Dog of War, Himon and Bekka aided Orion in freeing his mother TIGRA from imprisonment. For this act Himon was seemingly slain by the dread lord of Apokolips. Bekka then accompanied Orion and Tigra to New Genesis, where her love [illegible] the savagery that lurks within the Dog of War. **SB**

BELIAL

FIRST APPEARANCE THE DEMON (2nd series) #3 (March 1987)
STATUS Evil entity **REAL NAME** Belial
OCCUPATION Demon **BASE** Hell
HEIGHT Variable **WEIGHT** Variable **EYES** Red **HAIR** None
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Master of arcane dark arts, one of the most learned of demons, who uses spells and his intellect to make up for his relative lack of demon strength

Belial is one of the most evil [illegible] [illegible] all of Hell, aspiring to [illegible] of Hell's Triumvirate. [illegible] time he achieved his goal, but he was quickly replaced. He has [illegible] three children: the [illegible] (DEMON), the [illegible] Merlin (whose mother was human), and Lord Scapegoat, demon of Hell. His children have often opposed his schemes, which have conflicted with their own plans, and [illegible] fights have been legendary. He rarely appears on [illegible], but when he has, his schemes have usually been [illegible] with CAPTAIN MARVEL JR. in Fawcett City. Preferring to operate behind the scenes, he has lent his supernatural powers, as one of six demons, to empower SABBAC. **RG**

BELPHEGOR

FIRST APPEARANCE TEEN TITANS SPOTLIGHT #11 (June 1987)
STATUS Ally **REAL NAME** Unknown
OCCUPATION Former Global Guardians director
BASE Marseilles, France
HEIGHT 5ft 9in **WEIGHT** 120 lbs **EYES** Green **HAIR** Black
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Various psionic abilities, including telepathy

[illegible] is known about the elegant [illegible] Belphegor. However, she shares a history with DOCTOR MIST and played an important role in the now defunct international super hero organization known as the GLOBAL GUARDIANS.

Early in her career, Belphegor is known [illegible] worked with Doctor Mist and former member of the [illegible] Commandos Andre Chavard (*see* CHAVARD, ANDRE) to save a hero from a parallel Earth by enlisting the unwitting help of MISSION: MAGIC and the Brotherhood of Evil (*see* SOCIETY OF SIN). Belphegor later became the director of the Dome headquarters of the Global Guardians. She oversaw trouble spots around the world and dispatched Global Guardians to handle threats that lay near their home countries. When the United Nations decided to shift its funding from the Global Guardians to the Justice League International (*see* JUSTICE LEAGUE OF AMERICA), the Dome could no longer afford to stay open. Belphegor oversaw its closing and has rarely been seen since. **DW**

BERNADETH

FIRST APPEARANCE MISTER MIRACLE (1st series) #6 (February 1972)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Bernadeth
OCCUPATION Shocktrooper **BASE** Apokolips
HEIGHT 5ft 10in **WEIGHT** 140 lbs **EYES** Brown **HAIR** Black
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Bernadeth is enormously strong, aggressive and ruthless; specialized "force-knives" super-heat foes from the inside out

The hideous sister of DESAAD, the chief torture master of Darkseid's Elite, Bernadeth is the leader of the FEMALE FURIES, a specialized squadron of killers that hails from the hideous planet Apokolips. Bernadeth uses razor-sharp "force-knives" as her offensive weaponry.

BIG BARDA was the original leader of the Female Furies until she abandoned the group and Apokolips to be with her lover, MISTER MIRACLE. Barda was able to lure the Furies back to Earth, securing their freedom and featuring all of them in a spectacular traveling stage show. The Female Furies returned to Apokolips, however, and Bernadeth assumed control of the group. **PJ**

FRIGHTENING *Bernadeth can telekinetically control her force-knives, hurling them through the air at her foes and burning the victim from the inside out.*

ONE FOR THE ROAD Bibbo [illegible]

BIBBO

FIRST APPEARANCE THE ADVENTURES OF SUPERMAN #428 (May 1987)
STATUS Hero/ally **REAL NAME** "Bibbo" Bibbowski
OCCUPATION Tavern owner **BASE** Suicide Slum, Metropolis
HEIGHT 6ft 3in **WEIGHT** 250 lbs **EYES** Grey **HAIR** Grey
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES A former boxer, Bibbo packs a mean punch and has started (and ended) more than a few bar fights.

OUT COLD Not many [illegible] will be alone [illegible] after being on the receiving end [illegible] of Bibbo's roundhouse punches. Even the Man of Steel is [illegible]

Ex-longshoreman and former heavyweight contender Bibbo Bibbowski is proprietor of the Ace O' Clubs tavern, a down and dirty waterfront pub in Metropolis's seedy Suicide Slum. This same bar was formerly Bibbo's preferred watering hole. [illegible] a booze-soaked barfly. [illegible] slovenly appearance, fortune has always favored Bibbo. He bought the Ace O' Clubs after finding a winning lottery ticket lost by Jose Delgado (Gangbuster). The first year's annuity from the $14,000,000 lottery jackpot put Bibbo on easy street. Happily, his sudden fortune didn't change Bibbo's outgoing and relaxed attitude to life. A friend to SUPERMAN, Bibbo [illegible] the Man of Steel, whom he regards as his favorite hero. Though he'd wallop anyone who calls him a snitch, by virtue of his work as barkeep in an area famous for criminal activity, Bibbo often overhears useful information that he passes along to Superman or his other pal, Jimmy Olsen (see OLSEN, JIMMY). SB

GONE TO THE DOGS [illegible] playing a hand with a pack of [illegible]

BIG BARDA

FIRST APPEARANCE Mister Miracle (1st series) #4 (September 1971)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Barda Free
HEIGHT 6ft 2in **WEIGHT** 217 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Black
OCCUPATION Freedom fighter **BASE** New Genesis
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Trained as a Female Fury, one of the deadliest hand-to-hand combatants alive; her mastery of the mega-rod is unchallenged.

[illegible] didn't know [illegible] Scott escape [illegible] followed him [illegible] Love. Finally [illegible] escape artist Mister Miracle [illegible] loved life on Earth [illegible] This led to her serving [illegible] of America [illegible] of the New Gods [illegible] Scott traveled [illegible] BD

BATTLING BARDA Barda is one of the feared warriors on New Genesis. She managed to fight [illegible] Woman [illegible]

BIZARRO

IMPERFECT DUPLICATE OF SUPERMAN

FIRST APPEARANCE THE MAN OF STEEL #5 (October 1986)
STATUS Villain **REAL NAME** None
OCCUPATION Imperfect duplicate of Superman **BASE** Mobile
HEIGHT 6ft 3in **WEIGHT** 225 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Black
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Superstrong, invulnerable, and able to fly like the Man of Steel, but possessing some powers opposite to that of Superman, including freezing vision and flaming breath.

COUNTLESS TIMES SUPER-VILLAINS have raised their eyes to the heavens and cursed in vain as the heroic Man of Steel flashes across the sky to save the day. If only they fume, if only they had a SUPERMAN of their very own, a mindless superpowered slave to do their evil bidding! Superman's arch enemy Lex Luthor (*see* LUTHOR, LEX) was the first rogue to try to make this dream a reality. In secret, Luthor [illegible] genetic structure [illegible] successfully duplicated [illegible] the complex chromosomal structure of the Last Son of KRYPTON. The resulting Superclone quickly became a monstrous menace, a Bizarro creature that might have razed Metropolis to the ground had Superman not intervened. Yet this misbegotten Bizarro creature was not without its gentle side, for it allowed itself to be destroyed in a rain of disintegrating particles that [illegible] Lucy Lane, blind sister of reporter Lois Lane (*see* LANE, LOIS), to regain her sight.

CREATION [illegible] the Man of Steel.

BIZARRO WORLD [illegible] shaped [illegible] planetary [illegible] Anything [illegible] different!

A BIZARRO IN LOVE

[illegible] tried a second time to clone the Man of Steel many months later, and like the first [illegible] duplicate, this second Bizarro became a superpowered nuisance. Retaining [illegible] memory of Superman's strong affection for Lois Lane, Bizarro #2 set about [illegible] a ramshackle "Bizarro World" from junk and refuse, in his own way building [illegible] Metropolis that would please his beloved "Lo-is". Bizarro #2 then snatched [illegible] and took her to his crooked city where he held the reporter hostage while Superman searched frantically for her. However, all Bizarro #2 wanted was to please [illegible], but like his predecessor he also succumbed to rapid cellular degeneration. He died [illegible]. The third Bizarro, however, had little to do with genetic tinkering. Instead [illegible] Bizarro #1 was given a fresh lease on life via the twisted imagination of [illegible] the JOKER. After acquiring the reality-altering powers of fifth [illegible] MISTER MXYZPTLK, the Clown Prince of Crime envisioned a topsy-[illegible] Earth where evil replaced good and bizarre new villains occupied the seats of [illegible] the JUSTICE LEAGUE OF AMERICA. Thus, Bizarro #1 came into being as counterpart [illegible] Superman yet again. Though matching the Man of Steel muscle for muscle, Bizarro #1 possesses some abilities that are opposite to Superman's. He also gains strength when [illegible] exposed to kryptonite, the radioactive element deadly to the Man of Steel. Bizarro has been used as a tool [illegible] Lex Luthor and others to achieve their ends. During the Infinite Crisis, Bizarro killed the [illegible] serving with the SECRET SOCIETY OF SUPER VILLAINS. Later he attempted to kidnap [illegible] Kent's foster son Christopher Kent. Perhaps tiring of his role as a puppet [illegible] Bizarro fled the planet and created his own domain — a cube-shaped [illegible] populated with clones grown from his own body by using "Bizarro [illegible]". These clones resembled crude versions of people whom Bizarro had [illegible] Earth, including Lois Lane, Jimmy [illegible] and the JUSTICE LEAGUE [illegible]. Bizarro took things too far when he imprisoned Pa Kent on Bizarro World, forcing Superman's intervention. **SB**

LOOKING FOR LOVE! [illegible] Man [illegible]

HARD LUCK [illegible] Superman [illegible] punished [illegible] food

KEY STORYLINES
- **SUPERBOY #68 (OCTOBER 1958):** [illegible] the very first Bizarro [illegible] imperfect teen duplicate of Superboy!
- **SUPERMAN #87 (MARCH 1994):** Bizarro #2 is cloned, subsequently building [illegible] own Bizarro World before his [illegible] end.
- **SUPERMAN #160 (SEPTEMBER 2000):** The Joker uses Mr. Mxyzptlk's powers to create an upside-down world complete with an all-new Bizarro #1, more bizarre than any who came before.

BIG BEAR

FIRST APPEARANCE THE FOREVER PEOPLE #1 (March 1971)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** None
OCCUPATION Adventurer/pilot **BASE** New Genesis
HEIGHT 6ft 5in **WEIGHT** 272 lbs **EYES** Green **HAIR** Red
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Superstrength attained through the discharge of high-density atoms; can mentally alter the density of objects; expert pilot of flying; pilots a phase-shifting Super-Cycle.

[illegible] New Genesis [illegible] DW

BLACK ALICE

FIRST APPEARANCE BIRDS OF PREY #76 (January 2005)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Lori Zechlin
OCCUPATION Student **BASE** Dayton, Ohio
HEIGHT 5ft 5in **WEIGHT** 110 lbs **EYES** Brown **HAIR** Black
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Can borrow the magical abilities of any other magic user for a limited time.

Though still a teenager, Black Alice is one of the most powerful magic users on Earth. Born Lori Zechlin in Dayton, Ohio, she experienced an [illegible] and unhappy adolescence [illegible] unbearable after her [illegible] committed suicide [illegible] she could [illegible] DW

BLACK BISON

FIRST APPEARANCE THE FURY OF FIRESTORM #1 (June 1982)
STATUS Hero (deceased) **REAL NAME** John Ravenhair
OCCUPATION Tribal shaman **BASE** New York City
HEIGHT 6ft 2in **WEIGHT** 226 lbs **EYES** Brown **HAIR** Black
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Mystical ability to control the weather and animate objects, focused through a tribal coup stick.

John Ravenhair's great grandfather Bison Black As Midnight Sky was once the shaman of the Bison Cult. When the [illegible] died, Ravenhair found himself possessed by his great grandfather's vengeful spirit. Dressing himself in traditional tribal costume and calling himself Black Bison, Ravenhair set out to right all the many wrongs that had been perpetrated upon the Native American people since the arrival of the White Man in America centuries ago.

Black Bison's rampage across New York City attracted the attention of Firestorm, the Nuclear Man, who discovered that he could defeat Black Bison by removing the Bison Cult talisman that he wore around his neck. Away from his great grandfather's influence, John Ravenhair could choose his own path, but it wasn't long before Black Bison began to cause more collateral damage in the name of vengeance.

Black Bison is not a true villain and has occasionally assisted the cause of good. During the Crisis on Infinite Earths (pp. 362–3), Black Bison helped the Earth's assembled sorcerers defeat the Anti-Monitor's shadow demons. Prior to the Infinite Crisis, John Ravenhair perished along with dozens of other [illegible] the Spectre. DW

BIZARRO

See opposite page

BLACK ADAM

FIRST APPEARANCE MARVEL FAMILY #1 (December 1945)
STATUS Hero (flawed) **REAL NAME** Teth Adam
OCCUPATION Adventurer **BASE** New York City
HEIGHT 6ft **WEIGHT** 198 lbs **EYES** Brown **HAIR** Black
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Great strength, speed, stamina, and wisdom.

EGYPT'S GUARD Black Adam [illegible]

[illegible] the first [illegible] Shazam [illegible] transformed [illegible] with the powers [illegible] (speed), Aton [illegible] and Mehen (courage) [illegible] eventually entering [illegible] the prince's murder and the [illegible] lost sight of his purpose [illegible] and became known [illegible] imprisoned in the dead wizard's [illegible] blaming himself. Shazam [illegible] within a scarab amulet [illegible] Ramses II, remaining untouched until the [illegible] archeologists C.C. and Marilyn Batson [illegible] by an associate Theo [illegible] Black Adam's power and memories [illegible] his new champion [illegible] repeatedly battled. During [illegible] Black Adam, causing his [illegible] Black Adam returned [illegible]. With his younger brother Chaos, the three [illegible] Hammer of Apokolips killed Isis and Osiris [illegible] his global rampage dubbed World War III. Stripped [illegible] to life, and transferred some of his dark [illegible] SSC

ANCIENT PEERS, MODERN FOES Black Adam and Hawkman battling [illegible] the Middle [illegible]

BLACK CANARY

THE PRETTY BIRD OF PREY

FIRST APPEARANCE (BLACK CANARY I) FLASH COMICS #86 (August 1947)
STATUS Hero (deceased) **REAL NAME** Dinah Drake Lance
OCCUPATION Adventurer; florist **BASE** Gotham City
HEIGHT 5ft 5in **WEIGHT** 128 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Black
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Trained in Judo and a feisty fighter; often concealed smoke or tear gas pellets in the circulet of her choker.

FIRST APPEARANCE (BLACK CANARY II) JUSTICE LEAGUE OF AMERICA #75 (November 1969)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Dinah Laurel Lance
OCCUPATION Adventurer **BASE** Gotham City
HEIGHT 5ft 4in **WEIGHT** 124 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Blonde
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Ultrasonic canary cry capable of shattering metal; martial arts and [illegible].

IN 1947, DINAH DRAKE'S DREAMS of becoming a Gotham City policewoman were dashed when her police academy application was rejected and her doting father, Detective Richard Drake, subsequently passed away. Dinah used her small inheritance to open a florist shop while pursuing a more clandestine career in crime-fighting. Inspired by the brightly clad "Mystery Men" of the time, raven-haired Dinah designed her own stylish costume—black fishnets and leather as well as a blonde wig to conceal her identity—and embarked on a vigilante career as the sultry Black Canary. At first passing herself off as a criminal to infiltrate Gotham's underworld, the Judo-savvy Black Canary eventually revealed her true colors upon teaming with fellow hero Johnny Thunder (see THUNDER, JOHNNY). She became a member of the JUSTICE SOCIETY OF AMERICA soon after although eventually retired from costumed crime-fighting. She married private detective Larry Lance and gave birth to a daughter (also named Dinah), who would carry on her mother's heroic legacy. Dinah Drake Lance died of radiation-induced cancer, an after-effect from battling the cosmic-powered villain Aquarius—an epic struggle during which Larry Lance sacrificed his own life—alongside her JSA teammates.

SOULMATES [illegible]

BLACK CANARY II

While the [illegible] Black Canary [illegible] glamorous [illegible] JSA [illegible]

A [illegible] Black Canary II [illegible] began a romance with [illegible] Lady Shiva [illegible] the Birds of Prey [illegible] U.S. [illegible] the Justice League. She [illegible] super-villain [illegible] Black Canary killed [illegible] impersonated [illegible] Amazonian [illegible] 58

CANARY CRY Dinah lost her canary cry after suffering a brutal beating. But this sonic superpower was restored after she was dipped in a restorative Lazarus Pit.

KEY STORYLINES
- **ALL STAR COMICS #38 (DEC.–JAN. 1947–48):** Though not yet an official member, Black Canary I joins the JSA to defeat history's greatest villains!
- **JLA: YEAR ONE #1–12 (JAN.–DEC. 1998):** The second Black Canary's first year with the JLA is chronicled as the team battles the Appellaxian aliens and the organization known as Locus.
- **BLACK CANARY/ORACLE: BIRDS OF PREY (1996):** Black Canary II accepts her first assignment from ORACLE without knowing who her partner really is!

MELEE AT THE ALTAR The superheroic [illegible] at her [illegible] the villainous [illegible] who attacked [illegible] Black Canary [illegible] would soon [illegible] her husband [illegible] by a shape[illegible]

BLACK CONDOR

FIRST APPEARANCE CRACK COMICS #1 (May 1940)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Richard Grey Jr. a.k.a. Thomas Wright
OCCUPATION Adventurer **BASE** Washington, D.C.
HEIGHT 6ft 2in **WEIGHT** 196 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Black
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Exposure to alien radiation granted him the ability to fly and to understand the language of birds.

Richard Grey Jr. was just a [illegible] the Mongolian [illegible]. The baby was [illegible] [illegible] the [illegible]. A [illegible] [illegible] was found by Father Pierre, a mountain [illegible]. He called the child Black Condor and taught him to speak, read, and write. [illegible] the Black [illegible] a strange [illegible] he found the body [illegible] Wright who had been murdered by [illegible] Wright [illegible] Condor [illegible] Wright [illegible] Wright [illegible] [illegible] ultimately [illegible] serve with [illegible] and afterward in splinter group [illegible] [illegible] and Spitfire in fighting [illegible] subsequently moved [illegible] [illegible] He made [illegible] [illegible] Black Condor. RG

BLACK CONDOR II

FIRST APPEARANCE BLACK CONDOR #1 (June 1992)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Ryan Kendall
OCCUPATION Adventurer **BASE** Opal City
HEIGHT 6ft 4in **WEIGHT** 170 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Black
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Flight, heightened senses, limited telepathy and telekinesis, expert knife thrower.

Though not a direct successor to the wartime hero known as Black Condor, Ryan Kendall has proven himself worthy of the Condor legacy and has become a hero in his own right. He received his powers thanks to a monstrous experiment conducted by his grandfather, Creighton Kendall, leader of the centuries-old Society of the Golden Wing. As part of the Society's program to create a flying man, Kendall irradiated Ryan while he was still a fetus. At the age of 21, Ryan fell into a coma which lasted two years. When he recovered, he flew off into the back of New Jersey's Pine Barrens to find himself. Under the name Black Condor, Ryan Kendall assumed a super-heroic role to battle against the Sky Pirate and the SHARK. He joined the JUSTICE LEAGUE OF AMERICA following SUPERMAN's death and later became a member of FREEDOM FIGHTERS. Black Condor then settled in Opal City, working with the police. Kendall died during the Infinite Crisis. A third Black Condor, John Trujillo, now serves as a member of the Freedom Fighters alongside Uncle Sam. DW

FLYING SOLO *Black Condor II [illegible] loner. [illegible] with super-hero teams, but truly doesn't socialize with them.*

BLACK LIGHTNING

FIRST APPEARANCE BLACK LIGHTNING (1st series) #1 (April 1977)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Jefferson Pierce
OCCUPATION Adventurer **BASE** Metropolis
HEIGHT 6ft 1in **WEIGHT** 182 lbs **EYES** Brown **HAIR** Black
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Olympic-level athlete; superb hand-to-hand combatant; internally generated electromagnetic field can create and hurl bolts of supercharged electricity.

[illegible] Metropolis [illegible] athletics. He [illegible] Olympic gold in the decathlon. Once [illegible] to Suicide Slum [illegible] his students fell victim [illegible] the 100 mob led by albino [illegible] Whale. With a costume sporting [illegible] seamless Pierce [illegible] Black Lightning and brought the 100 and [illegible] Whale to justice.

One of the most famous African-American super heroes of his time, Pierce became a founder member of the OUTSIDERS. During his stint with the team [illegible] enabled him to internalize his lightning-like powers. Following the Outsiders' dissolution, Black Lightning became defender of crime-ridden Brick [illegible] [illegible] served under U.S. President Lex Luthor [illegible] as Secretary of Education. Pierce now serves with the JUSTICE [illegible] AMERICA. His daughter Anissa (THUNDER II) was recently [illegible]. SB

BODY ELECTRIC *[illegible] electromagnetic [illegible] via bolts of electricity.*

HARD TO GET *Black Lightning [illegible] turned down an offer of membership in the Justice League of America.*

BLACK MANTA

FIRST APPEARANCE AQUAMAN (1st series) #35 (September 1967)
STATUS Villain **REAL NAME** Unrevealed
OCCUPATION Assassin **BASE** Devil's Deep
HEIGHT 6ft 1in. **WEIGHT** 230 lbs **EYES** Brown **HAIR** Brown
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Possesses slightly above-average strength; quickly masters new equipment; fueled by rage

DEVIL VERSION [illegible]

[illegible] control [illegible] to him [illegible] before [illegible] which [illegible] violence. The [illegible] and [illegible] submerged in [illegible]

As an [illegible] and fashioned a [illegible] manta fish. Taking [illegible] Manta [illegible] became a [illegible] yet unrevealed [illegible] joining the [illegible] after, [illegible] Manta and A[illegible] few years [illegible] the violent [illegible] Black Manta [illegible] sold his soul to [illegible] increased [illegible] encount[illegible] Manta in the [illegible] of Devil [illegible] he took [illegible] his full costume [illegible] completely from sight. [illegible] he stopped [illegible] [illegible] smuggling from [illegible] new base in [illegible] [illegible] ARROW I and his old [illegible] Aquaman [illegible] Aquaman now sporting the LADY OF THE LAKE [illegible] It also rewired Manta's afflicted [illegible] in his life. Unfortunately Manta [illegible] into a false sense of partnership, [illegible] the pris[illegible] Later cured of his demonic [illegible] Black Manta [illegible] teeth after [illegible] mask [illegible] BO

BETRAYAL! [illegible]

BLACK MASK

FIRST APPEARANCE BATMAN #386 (August 1985)
STATUS Villain (presumed dead) **REAL NAME** Roman Sionis
OCCUPATION Gang leader **BASE** Gotham City
HEIGHT 6ft 1in. **WEIGHT** 95 lbs **EYES** Brown **HAIR** None
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Brilliant criminal mind, rules subordinates with iron fist; sadistically pursues anyone who wronged him

[illegible] his mother and father the heads of the Janus Cosmetics company Roman Sionis inherited a [illegible] million dollar fortune when his parents "mysteriously" died in a fire. But the new [illegible] quickly ran the company into the [illegible]. A buyout by Bruce Wayne saved Janus Cosmetics, but left Sionis with [illegible] hatred of the man who [illegible] stolen his legacy. Obsessed [illegible] Sionis carved a black [illegible] from his father's coffin and [illegible] several Wayne employees [illegible] in a fiery confrontation [illegible] BATMAN. Sionis mask was burned into his flesh, making [illegible] a living Black Mask. He [illegible] one of Gotham's most [illegible] crimelords with an army [illegible] masked henchmen, the False [illegible] Society at his disposal. [illegible] mask took control of [illegible] Gotham City underworld [illegible] following the War Games event but his reign at the top didn't last long. In retaliation for threatening her friends, CATWOMAN shot and killed him. DW

HYBRID [illegible]

BLACK ORCHID

FIRST APPEARANCE (I) ADVENTURE COMICS #428 (August 1973); (II, III) Black Orchid (1st series) #1 (December 1988)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** (I) Susan Linden (II) none (III) Suzy
OCCUPATION (I) Adventurer (II, III) elemental nymph
BASE (I) Mobile (II, III) the Amazon rain forest
HEIGHT (I) 5ft 11in. (II) 5ft 7in. (III) 5ft 6in. **WEIGHT** (I) 130 lbs. (II) 119 lbs. (III) 115 lbs. **EYES** (all) Violet **HAIR** (all) Violet
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Superhuman strength, flight. Like a plant, she can absorb nutrients from the air

[illegible] by her father, [illegible] eventually married [illegible] trafficker. [illegible] stole a [illegible] weapons from her billionaire [illegible] father ([illegible]) and [illegible] Susan when she went to the [illegible] Botanist Philip Sylvian, a childhood friend of Susan's, grafted [illegible] Linden's genetic material into [illegible] experimental hybrid of plant and animal [illegible] creating the Black Orchid. Black [illegible] used her special powers and a number [illegible] to fight crime until she [illegible] murdered by Lex Luthor. Susan's death created a psychic reaction that awakened another of Sylvian's orchid hybrids. This [illegible] less Black Orchid found her way to the [illegible] forests of South America and learned that she was an elemental dryad nymph before [illegible] assassinated by a human in New York. [illegible] by Suzy, a childlike sprite with fragments of Susan's consciousness, is the last surviving Black Orchid. She protects the natural world [illegible] the depredations of industry and [illegible]. PJ

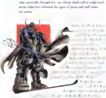
Black Pirate

First appearance SENSATION COMICS #1 (January 1942)
Status Hero (deceased) **Real name** Jon Valor
Occupation Freedom fighter **Base** England
Height 5ft 11in **Weight** 164 lbs
Eyes Brown **Hair** Brown
Special powers/abilities A swashbuckling swordsman and accomplished sailor

[illegible] SB

Black Racer

First appearance NEW GODS (1st series) #3 (July 1971)
Status Villain **Real name** Sgt. Willie Walker
Occupation Messenger of Death **Base** New Genesis
Height 6ft 4in **Weight** 211 lbs **Eyes** Black **Hair** Black
Special powers/abilities Phases through solid objects; flying atop cosmically charged skis; can deliver death with a single touch; armor helps him withstand the rigors of space and stellar crates out justice



[illegible] RG

Black Spider I & II

First appearance DETECTIVE COMICS #463 (September 1976)
Status Villain **Real name** Eric Needham
Occupation Assassin **Base** Gotham City
Height 5ft 10in **Weight** 173 lbs **Eyes** Brown **Hair** Black
Special powers/abilities Expert combatant and dead shot with retractable wrist pistol; unrevealed supernatural powers.

[illegible] DW

Black Zero

First appearance SUPERBOY (3rd series) #61 (April 1999)
Status Villain **Real name** Kon El
Occupation Freedom fighter and world conqueror **Base** Metropolis (in an alternate timeline)
Height 6ft 2in **Weight** 225 lbs **Eyes** Blue **Hair** Black
Special powers/abilities Has superhuman strength and speed; can fly; is virtually invulnerable and possesses psionic vision (similar to heat vision). Like Superboy, Black Zero lifts huge objects using tactile telekinesis, which gives him telekinetic control over an object after touching it.

[illegible]

[illegible] PJ

BLACKHAWK

FIGHTER IN THE SKY

FIRST APPEARANCE MILITARY COMICS #1 (August 1941)
STATUS Hero (missing in action) **REAL NAME** Janos Prohaska
OCCUPATION Squadron leader **BASE** England
HEIGHT 6ft 1.5in **WEIGHT** 195 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Black
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES An expert pilot, a charismatic and quick-thinking field leader, in addition to being good with his fists.

POLAND'S JANOS PROHASKA served with the Bill Heywood Squadron of the International Brigades during the Spanish Civil War, gaining an international reputation as a flyer of amazing skill and courage. When in 1939 Poland fell victim to Nazi Germany's *blitzkrieg* warfare, Prohaska, now nicknamed Blackhawk, joined with his friends Stanislaw "Stan" Drozdowski and Kazimierz "Zeg" Zegota and others to form the Blackhawk Squadron. They resisted the brutal invaders of their homeland from a secret base on Blackhawk Island.

THE BLACKHAWK SQUADRON

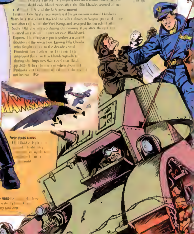
Blackhawk assembled a truly international band of air aces, all determined to fight for freedom. The pilots included Boris Zimnov of Russia, Ian Hendrickson Baker of England, André Blanc-DuMont of France, Olaf Friedriksen of Sweden, Ritter Hendrickson of Denmark, and [illegible] "Chuck" Sussman of the U.S. Sadly Boris, Zeg, Ian and [illegible] were soon killed in action. Soon afterwards, 17-year-old Chinese-American "whiz kid" Weng "Chop-Chop" Chan joined the group.

The C.I.A. later recruited the Blackhawks and Blackhawk Airways relocated to Washington D.C. The U.S. government wanted more [illegible] over the team's missions, and when Blackhawk objected, the [illegible] was kidnapped until rescued by Blackhawk and [illegible] Hunter. The [illegible] of Prohaska was then transferred to the Blackhawk Island. Soon after, the Blackhawks severed all ties [illegible] C.I.A. and the U.S. government.

In [illegible] André was murdered by an assassin named Hardwire. Years later Blackhawk tracked the killer down in Saigon [illegible] was also [illegible] to the Viet Kong, and avenged his friend [illegible] Sally [illegible] disappeared during the ensuing years after Weng [illegible] formed an [illegible] courier service, Blackhawk Express. The company put together a team of doubles of the seven best-known Blackhawks, who fought [illegible] in the decade ahead. President Lex Luthor [illegible] employed the new Blackhawk Squadron during the Imperiex War (see Great Battles, pp. 362–3), but the [illegible] when about [illegible] Prohaska [illegible] not known. RG

LEADING FORCE Blackhawk [illegible] great flyer [illegible] fighter, even [illegible] constantly [illegible] his men [illegible]

BRAVERY [illegible] combat [illegible] the Blackhawk [illegible]



FIRST CLASS FLYERS The Blackhawk [illegible] world.

TWO-FISTED HERO [illegible] Blackhawk [illegible] German army tank crew.

KEY STORYLINES

- **MILITARY COMICS #1 (AUGUST 1941):** The early story introduces the world to Janos Prohaska and his men.
- **BLACKHAWK #1–3 (MARCH–MAY 1989):** The tale spotlights Prohaska as he deals with a Russian conspiracy and life after the War.
- **BLACKHAWK #140 (SEPTEMBER 1959):** Lady Blackhawk is introduced to the team.

BLACKBRIAR THORN

First appearance DC COMICS PRESENTS #66 (February 1984)
Status Villain **Real name** Unknown
Occupation Last of the Druids **Base** Gotham City
Height 6ft 3in **Weight** 238 lbs **Eyes** Brown **Hair** Brown
Special powers/abilities Seemingly immortal; ability to conjure snow storms or fog; able to manifest illusions and grow in size; must maintain contact with the Earth and soil or his power diminishes.

Druidic high priest Blackbriar Thorn escaped death at the hands of Roman invaders in Britain by fleeing into a forest and transforming himself into solid wood. The other druids were less fortunate, but in their death throes they unwittingly opened a great fissure that swallowed Thorn. He was buried for centuries until archaeologist Professor Lewis Lang unearthed him. By now the high priest was permanently trapped in his wooden body. Thorn's attempts to wreak mystical havoc in the 20th century have been thwarted by SUPERMAN, Etrigan (DEMON), and SENTINEL among [illegible]. Thorn nearly perished [illegible] with the SPECTRE, but owes his survival to [illegible] magical ability to regenerate himself from even the smallest splinter. SB

HEAD-HUNTER Blackbriar Thorn [illegible]

BLASTERS, THE

First appearance INVASION #1 (1988)
Status Hero team (disbanded) **Base** Mobile
Members and powers
Lucas "Snapper" Carr (leader) Teleportation powers.
Dust Devil (Mosha Levy) Israeli boy who can turn into a whirlwind; accompanied by his devoted mother, Mrs. Levy.
Looking Glass (Dexter Fairfax) Ability to absorb light and project a [illegible]
Crackpot (Amos Monroe) Persuasive mind-manipulation powers.
Jolt (Carlotta Rivera) Can repel any form of energy.
Frog (Fritz Klein) Can turn into living metal and explode.
Gunther Renegade Dominator scientist.
Churljenkins Alien starship pilot, technical expert.

During an alien invasion of Earth, Dominator scientists kidnapped 911 humans and forced them to walk through a minefield. The handful that survived did so by manifesting latent metagene powers. Upon their escape from the Dominator space prison they formed a wandering super-team called the Blasters. The group added a Dominator scientist to its roster and cruised the spaceways piloted by the extra-terrestrial humanoid alien Churljenkins. On one mission they foiled a plot by a criminal organization named the Spider Guild to sell black market weapons on Earth. After a near fatal attempt to spring the Hero-Valor from prison, the Blasters disbanded. Snapper Carr (see Carr, Snapper) suffered horrors of his own, being tortured by Khund thugs who cut off his hands, robbing him of his ability to teleport. Though Snapper's hands have since been restored, no one knows if he will ever be able to track down his former teammates and reform the Blasters. DW

THE BLASTERS *The Blasters helped end the alien invasion of Earth, but went mostly unrecognized for their efforts.*
1) Frog **2)** Snapper Carr **3)** Churljenkins **4)** Crackpot
5) Looking Glass **6)** Mrs. Levy **7)** Gunther
8) Dust Devil **9)** Jolt

BLACKFIRE

First appearance THE NEW TEEN TITANS (1st series) #22 (September 1982)
Status Undefined **Real name** Komand'r
Occupation Queen of Tamaran **Base** Mobile
Height 6ft 2in **Weight** 162 lbs **Eyes** Green **Hair** Red
Special powers/abilities Absorption of solar energy; projection of destructive starbolts from her hands.

[illegible] the [illegible] Tamaran, Princess Koriand'r [illegible] Koriand'r was named [illegible]. Both [illegible] their father King Myand'r [illegible] the fabled Warlords of Okaara, but there the [illegible] Koriand'r [illegible] betrayed her family [illegible] joined the dreaded Citadel Empire and betrayed Koriand'r into slavery. Years later both sisters became prisoners of the Psions and the subject of genetic experiments that gave them vast powers. Escaping, Koriand'r (now called Starfire) [illegible] from a TEEN TITANS member called [illegible] clashed repeatedly until Komand'r's forces [illegible] Tamaran from Citadel control and became [illegible] planet's apparent destruction by a [illegible]. Blackfire has not been seen since. PJ

BLACKHAWK

SEE OPPOSITE PAGE

BLIGHT

First appearance LEGION OF SUPER-HEROES SECRET FILES AND ORIGINS #2 (June 1999)
Status Villains **Base** 30th century space
Special powers/abilities An alien race of partially organic beings composed of a combination of rotting flesh and technology; can absorb the life energy from entire worlds, leaving these planets in ruins.

The [illegible] super [illegible] the [illegible] the galaxy [illegible] across the [illegible] the 30th century [illegible] its chief [illegible] energy [illegible]

BLOCKBUSTER I

FIRST APPEARANCE DETECTIVE COMICS #345 (November 1965)
STATUS Villain (deceased) **REAL NAME** Mark Desmond
OCCUPATION None **BASE** Gotham City
HEIGHT 7ft 4in **WEIGHT** 645 lbs **EYES** Brown **HAIR** Brown
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Secret serum gave Desmond tremendous strength, endurance, and invulnerability but severely diminished his mental capacity.

Mark Desmond wanted to become stronger [illegible] but working [illegible] weights he decided to use [illegible] istry. He experimented [illegible] himself and grew taller and stronger but [illegible] the process was turned into a mindless brute. Desmond was cared for by his criminal brother Roland, who shielded their mother from the news that Mark was now a [illegible] Roland used Mark [illegible] crimes until they [illegible] stopped by BATMAN and ROBIN. Desmond had once been rescued from drowning by Bruce [illegible] and the Dark Knight Detective discovered [illegible] could still the behemoth [illegible] ... [illegible] and drowning, Desmond [illegible] The sight calmed the [illegible] preventing further destruction. Blockbuster [illegible] his own weight solitude [illegible] only to find himself opposing the Caped Crusader on several occasions. He was [illegible] by Amanda Waller (see WALLER, AMANDA) for her new SUICIDE SQUAD and he died battling DARKSEID [illegible] Brimstone. RG

BLOCKBUSTER II

FIRST APPEARANCE STARMAN (1st series) #9 (April 1989)
STATUS Villain (deceased) **REAL NAME** Roland Desmond
OCCUPATION Gang leader **BASE** Blüdhaven
HEIGHT 8ft **WEIGHT** 527 lbs **EYES** Brown **HAIR** Brown
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Superstrength, invulnerability, enhanced speed, and a brilliant criminal mind.

Blüdhaven's crime boss is a giant with a brain to [illegible] He obtained his awesome [illegible] by selling his soul to the demon NERON. Desmond became Blockbuster II when a gene bomb detonated during the alien Invasion turned him into a towering brute. Like brother Mark [illegible] Roland now possessed superhuman strength and a [illegible] IQ. He went on a rampage [illegible] STARMAN and BATMAN captured [illegible] [illegible] saddled [illegible] wound up [illegible]

Acquiring a genius level intellect [illegible] obsession. When Neron made [illegible] a real [illegible] shop in his mother's home [illegible] Blüdhaven [illegible] criminal Angel Marin and took [illegible]

Blüdhaven's protector NIGHTWING [illegible] DEATHSTROKE [illegible] [illegible] Blockbuster II. He took out his frustration by snapping his underlings' necks [illegible] the villain [illegible] which one [illegible] survived. Suffering from [illegible] and a defective heart—side effects of [illegible] —Blockbuster II received a heart transplant from one of Gorilla [illegible] talking apes. Restored to health, he was tightening his grip on Blüdhaven's underworld [illegible] take over [illegible] when he was shot and killed by TARANTULA II. DW

BLOODSPORT

FIRST APPEARANCE SUPERMAN (2nd series) #4 (April 1987)
STATUS Villain **REAL NAME** Robert DuBois
OCCUPATION Vigilante **BASE** Metropolis
HEIGHT 6ft 1in **WEIGHT** 231 lbs **EYES** Brown **HAIR** Black
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Can teleport rifles, handguns, and other firearms from a distant location and into his hands.

[illegible] emerged [illegible] [illegible] Metropolis [illegible] [illegible] Robert DuBois [illegible] [illegible] weapons [illegible] Bloodsport [illegible] Metropolis [illegible] stopped by [illegible] [illegible] equipment [illegible] the field [illegible] died shortly after [illegible] Robert DuBois [illegible] have reappeared [illegible] and other villains [illegible] DW

BLUE DEVIL

FIRST APPEARANCE FURY OF FIRESTORM #24 (June 1984)
STATUS Hero (reluctant) **REAL NAME** Daniel Patrick Cassidy
OCCUPATION Demon **BASE** Mobile
HEIGHT 6ft 8in **WEIGHT** 365 lbs **EYES** Red **HAIR** None
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES In demonic form, Cassidy has enhanced strength, durability, and speed.

An encounter with the demon [illegible] Daniel Cassidy permanently bonded with the costume he was wearing for his new movie, and he soon became known as Blue Devil. Daniel frantically tried to escape the suit before resigning himself to his lot. His transformation seemed to turn him into a "weirdness magnet," and Daniel found [illegible] time fighting demons, criminals and a freaked out [illegible] director Janet Rayburn connected Blue Devil to [illegible] LEAGUE OF AMERICA. Mistress of Magic Zatanna [illegible] Nebiros to meet. The encounter went badly and [illegible] Mexican Army joined forces to return Nebiros to [illegible]

Resigned to the life of a super hero, Blue Devil [illegible] eventually made a deal with the demon NERON [illegible] successful actor. He learned too late that [illegible] [illegible] ble price: the life of his friend director Marla Bloom [illegible] into a true demon. Blue Devil was subsequently [illegible] During the Day of Judgement, the magician [illegible] Daniel and turned him into a powerful demon. Blue Devil [illegible] trident of Lucifer and joined the SHADOWPACT, helping the team [illegible] Spectre and other threats. RG

SUPERNATURAL WEAPON
Blue Devil puts the trident of Lucifer to good use.

BLUE BEETLE

MY[illegible]

BLUE BEETLE I
FIRST APPEARANCE BLUE BEETLE (1st series) #1 (June 1964)
STATUS Hero (deceased) **REAL NAME** Dr. Daniel Garrett
OCCUPATION Adventurer **BASE** Hub City
HEIGHT 6ft **WEIGHT** 189 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Red
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Superstrong, able to fly and discharge lightning-like energy from fingertips; chain-mail armor impervious to small arms fire.

BLUE BEETLE II
FIRST APPEARANCE CAPTAIN ATOM (1st series) #83 (Nov. 1966)
STATUS Adventurer (deceased) **REAL NAME** Theodore "Ted" Kord
OCCUPATION Adventurer **BASE** New York City
HEIGHT 5ft 11in **WEIGHT** 184 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Brown
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES The second Blue Beetle possesses no superpowers, but is a genius inventor and a capable hand-to-hand combatant. His BB gun has several settings, including a walloping compressed-air blast and blinding strobe light. The Beetle's greatest weapon is his "Bug," a stealthy solar-powered crime-fighting vehicle.

BLUE BEETLE III
FIRST APPEARANCE INFINITE CRISIS #5 (March 2006)
STATUS Hero REAL NAME Jaime Reyes
OCCUPATION High school student, adventurer BASE El Paso, Texas
HEIGHT 5ft 8in WEIGHT 145 lbs EYES Brown HAIR Black
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Alien suit provides protection, flight, enhanced strength, and can generate many forms of weaponry.

[illegible] glowing azure scarab [illegible] archeologist [illegible] he uttered [illegible] strength, flying abilities and [illegible] in Hub City [illegible] later [illegible] student Ted [illegible] would don [illegible] Beetle mortally wounded. With his dying [illegible] Kord [illegible] that he would carry [illegible] ing the [illegible] Blue Beetle's heroic legacy would continue.

BEETLE POWER! [illegible]

TED KORD

[illegible] Dan Garrett [illegible] ing the [illegible] Jarvis Kord [illegible] the [illegible] asked [illegible] nephew [illegible] the dying [illegible] under [illegible] of Jarvis Kord [illegible] Kord trained himself [illegible] skills and developed [illegible] weapons [illegible] Blue Beetle [illegible] whose [illegible] stalwart [illegible] his own rogues gallery [illegible] the Windy City [illegible] the second Blue Beetle [illegible] to running [illegible] up from the [illegible] leftover [illegible]

MAN ON A MISSION [illegible]

Blue [illegible] Universal Research [illegible] Kord's [illegible] Reyes [illegible] 58

MURDERED Ted Kord [illegible] Maxwell [illegible]

JAIME REYES

The scarab that gave Dan Garrett his power [illegible] its way into SHAZAM!'s Rock of Eternity. When the Rock exploded [illegible] the scarab landed in [illegible] and bonded to Jaime Reyes' spine. After experimenting, Jaime could generate body armor, jet packs, and weapons. He became Blue Beetle, joining BATMAN, GREEN [illegible] Booster [illegible] and others against the Brother Eye [illegible] an army of OMACs [illegible] Earth. Jaime [illegible] parallel worlds. He found [illegible] the PEACEMAKER and [illegible] while crossing paths with Guy [illegible] GREEN LANTERN [illegible] during a fight [illegible] Jaime [illegible] revealing his [illegible] Jaime [illegible] learned that [illegible] the Reach. The scarab [illegible] Blue Beetle III [illegible] Jaime relies on friends and family to ease the [illegible]

STRANGE FIND [illegible]

KEY STORYLINES

- ***JSA #1 (August 1999):*** Jared Stevens, possessor of Nabu's talismans, is killed by the minions of Mordru, thus paving the way for the long-awaited return of Dr. Fate.
- ***Doctor Fate (4th series) #1–4 (October 2003–February 2004):*** Hector Hall battles and destroys the Curse, a timeless evil that wrecked ancient Egypt, as he settles in at Dr. Fate's Salem tower.

BODY DOUBLES

FIRST APPEARANCE RESURRECTION MAN #1 (March 1996)
STATUS Villains **REAL NAMES** Bonny Hoffman and Carmen Lane
OCCUPATION Assassins **BASE** Mobile
HEIGHT (Bonny) 5ft 8in, (Carmen) 6ft **WEIGHT** (Bonny) 125 lbs, (Carmen) 140 lbs **EYES** (Bonny) blue, (Carmen) brown
HAIR (Bonny) blonde, (Carmen) black
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Both women are martial-arts adepts and experts with many types of firearms and concealed weapons.

The Body Doubles are hired killers who work for the Reputable Assassination Agency. Bonny Hoffman is the daughter of an East Coast mob boss while Carmen [illegible] a former adult film star and exotic dancer. Bonny became an assassin to prove to her father that she could be as tough as any man, while Carmen hoped to advance her career as a legitimate Hollywood actress. They employ the latest high-tech weaponry as well as murderous gadgets hidden in their makeup accessories.

The Body Doubles began working for Bonny's Uncle Nick, an assassin himself and a magnificent drag queen to boot. As hired killers, the Body Doubles first came into conflict with RESURRECTION MAN. They also tried to kill CATWOMAN when she was running for mayor of New York City, but their fighting skills proved no match for the Princess of Plunder's. Exiled to a prison planet during Operation: Salvation Run, the Body Doubles sacrificed [illegible] to the local wildlife. PJ

DOUBLE TAKE Bonny, the [illegible] of the [illegible] had a sex line where [illegible] may be [illegible] the [illegible] ones!

BOLT

FIRST APPEARANCE BLUE DEVIL #6 (November 1984)
STATUS Villain **REAL NAME** Larry Bolatinsky
OCCUPATION Mercenary **BASE** Mobile
HEIGHT 6ft 4in **WEIGHT** 220 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Unrevealed
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Microcircuitry in costume allows flight, projection of electrical energy bolts, and teleportation.

A former special-effects technician, Bolt is a superpowered assassin for hire renowned for his skill, stealth—and his price. [illegible] used his great wealth to [illegible] experiments, and [illegible] porting battle suits. Bolt [illegible] the Trickster [illegible] a [illegible]. He was foiled by the Trickster and Blue [illegible]. Bolt was also a constant thorn in [illegible] like Blue Devil, CAPTAIN ATOM, [illegible] STARMAN VI. Bolt joined the Killer [illegible] included Merlyn, Chiller, Deadline [illegible] later the Task Force X Mark II, a [illegible] of the Suicide Squad.

Bolt was thought to have been slain on a Task Force mission but returned with a host of other villains [illegible] led by Zandia [illegible]. Later still, on an assignment with the Gladiator, Bolt was shot and seriously wounded by street thugs. PJ

BORDEAUX, SASHA

FIRST APPEARANCE DETECTIVE COMICS #751 (December 2000)
STATUS Ally **REAL NAME** Sasha Bordeaux
OCCUPATION U.S. government agent **BASE** Mobile
HEIGHT 5ft 7in **WEIGHT** 135 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Blonde
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Top athlete; skilled with most firearms.

[illegible] the Bruce Wayne [illegible] Sasha Bordeaux [illegible] second to BATMAN. Bordeaux [illegible] both him and even [illegible] Vesper [illegible] Bordeaux [illegible] prison while Bruce [illegible] the OMAC [illegible] part OMAC [illegible] the former Black Queen. DW

BOOSTER GOLD

FIRST APPEARANCE BOOSTER GOLD #1 (February 1986)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Michael Jon Carter
OCCUPATION Adventurer **BASE** New York City
HEIGHT 6ft 5in **WEIGHT** 215 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Blond
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Costume allows him to fly, use a protective forcefield, and gives enhanced strength.

College quarterback and gambler Michael Jon Carter was banished from college athletics after many scandals. As night watchman at the Space Museum, Carter utilized Rip Hunter's time machine [illegible] RIP [illegible] stealing a security robot named Skeets, a LEGION of SUPER-HEROES flight ring, and BRAINIAC 5's force field belt. He arrived back in the 20th century seeking fortune and fame as Booster Gold. Before long, he had put an end to the criminal Conclave; the [illegible] battle left him severely injured.

Booster briefly returned to his home era, but then escaped to the past accompanied by his sister Michelle. Soon after, Maxwell Lord (LORD HAVOK) began a JUSTICE LEAGUE OF AMERICA recruitment drive; Booster joined up and befriended BLUE BEETLE II. As the Justice League battled the aliens of Dominion [illegible], Booster Gold saw his sister Michelle perish. For a time he led the [illegible] team, the CONGLOMERATE, but finally returned to the League. Booster was inactive for a while after his powers were destroyed in a battle with DOOMSDAY. Following [illegible], Booster left the League again and joined the newly formed EXTREME JUSTICE. After Blue Beetle's death and the Infinite Crisis, Booster emerged on the scene in Metropolis, both as himself and as the costumed Supernova. Faking his death let Booster expose MISTER MIND and his plot to destroy the multiverse. Booster joined Rip Hunter to repair anomalies in the timestream. RG

24 CARAT GOLD [illegible] When [illegible] upon [illegible] pal Blue Beetle! [illegible]

BOUNCING BOY

FIRST APPEARANCE ACTION COMICS #276 (May 1961)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Chuck Taine
OCCUPATION Retired adventurer **BASE** Earth
HEIGHT 5ft 6in **WEIGHT** 221 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Black
SUPER POWERS/ABILITIES Able to inflate his body and bounce to great heights; highly resistant to injury

[illegible]

[illegible] DW

BOUNTY

FIRST APPEARANCE SUPERBOY (1st series) #225 (March 1977)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Dawnstar
OCCUPATION Bounty hunter; Legionnaire **BASE** Earth, Starhaven
HEIGHT 5ft 6in **WEIGHT** 120 lbs **EYES** Brown **HAIR** Brown
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Wings enabled her to soar through space without a Legion flight ring; able to track with unerring accuracy

[illegible] SB

BOY COMMANDOS

FIRST APPEARANCE Detective Comics #64 (June 1942)
STATUS Hero team **BASE** Europe
MEMBERS
Captain Eric "Rip" Carter
Alfy Twidgett
André Chavard
Daniel "Brooklyn" Turpin
Jan Haasen
Tex
Percy Clearweather

[illegible]

[illegible] RG

THE BOY COMMANDOS 1) [illegible] **2)** [illegible] **3)** [illegible] **4)** [illegible] **5)** [illegible] **6)** [illegible] **7)** [illegible]

BRADLEY, SLAM

FIRST APPEARANCE DETECTIVE COMICS #1 (March 1937)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Samuel Emerson Bradley
OCCUPATION Private investigator **BASE** Gotham City
HEIGHT 6ft 1in **WEIGHT** 205 lbs
EYES Gray **HAIR** Dark brown with grey at temples
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Tough, two-fisted combatant and a highly skilled, persistent detective; loyal to his friends no matter what

[illegible] DW

SMITTEN KITTEN **SLAM'S PASSION** [illegible]

PUNCHDRUNK [illegible]

BRAIN

FIRST APPEARANCE DOOM PATROL (1st series) #86 (March 1964)
STATUS Villain **REAL NAME** Unrevealed
OCCUPATION Scientist or mind mastermind **BASE** Mobile
HEIGHT 2ft 4in. **WEIGHT** 95 lbs **EYES** Black **HAIR** None
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Genius level IQ; occasionally uses the robot body Bing for mobility

Little is known about the French scientist and criminal genius known as the Brain. Before his death the scientist experimented on a captured Albino gorilla and gave it a near-genius intellect. When the scientist died, the ape called Monsieur Mallah removed the man's brain and put it in a receptacle connected to a vast computer network. The scientist, now called the Brain, set up the villainous Brotherhood of Evil (see Society of Sin) to further his goal of world conquest.

The Brotherhood attacked the Doom Patrol several times over the years. Later, under the Brain's command, a second Brotherhood of Evil fought the Teen Titans.

The Brain and Mallah went into hiding after their defeat by the Titans. When a new Doom Patrol emerged, the Brain and Mallah broke into the Patrol's headquarters and stole one of Robotman's robot bodies with the intention of placing the Brain inside it. The booby-trapped robot body exploded, but not before the villains could profess their undying love for each other. The Brain and Mallah survived and moved to the island of Zandia. They later came into conflict with Young Justice. PJ

BRAINIAC SEE OPPOSITE PAGE

BRAINIAC 5

FIRST APPEARANCE ACTION COMICS #276 (May 1961)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Querl Dox
OCCUPATION Legionnaire/scientist **BASE** Colu
HEIGHT 5ft 7in. **WEIGHT** 135 lbs **EYES** Green **HAIR** Blond
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Super-genius; force field belt with expandable and shapeable protective envelope; it mentally operated via Brainiac control disks on Dox's forehead

Descendant of [illegible] Vril Dox, Brainiac 5 is the 30th century's mastermind of the Legion of Super-Heroes. A native of Colu, Brainiac 5 possesses a 12th-level intellect, making him one of the smartest beings in the United Planets. He helped design the Legion's flight rings, and keeps track of galactic trouble spots, often acting as "mission control" for Legionnaires in the field. His arrogance can be off-putting, but even his critics admit that Brainy is usually right. Brainiac 5's inventions helped rescue Mon-El from the Phantom Zone and prevented a Dominator takeover of Earth. Despite his insistence on reason and logic, Brainiac 5 fell in love with teammate Dream Girl, who could see the future through portents and premonitions. Brainy considered her tragic death a [illegible] puzzle to solve. SB

BRAINWAVE

FIRST APPEARANCES (I) ALL STAR COMICS #15 (February-March 1943) (II) ALL STAR SQUADRON #24 (August 1983)
STATUS (I) Villain (II) Hero **REAL NAME** (I) Henry King (II) Henry King, Jr.
OCCUPATION (I) Evil genius (II) Adventurer **BASE** Mobile
HEIGHT (I) 5ft 7in (II) 5ft 10in **WEIGHT** (I) 128 lbs (II) 172 lbs
EYES (I) Blue (II) Blue **HAIR** (I) None (II) Red

Brainwave is a family legacy, lasting back to the 1940s, than his father and son. During World War II, the first Brainwave (Henry King) used his vast psychic powers to terrorize the Justice Society of America. Able to control the minds of others and even project three-dimensional illusions, Brainwave embarked on a number of world-conquering schemes, both on his own and with the Injustice Society of America. With Merry [illegible] he fathered Henry King Jr.

Hank Jr. became the second Brainwave, joining the original Infinity Inc. Later he became a member of Black Adam's super-hero strike force that overthrew the ruler of Khandaq. He [illegible] Atom II and the [illegible] Society [illegible] Brainwave [illegible] had actually been controlled by Mister Mind. DW

BRANDE, R.J.

FIRST APPEARANCE LEGION OF SUPER-HEROES (4th series) #[illegible] 1994)
STATUS Ally **REAL NAME** René Jacques Brande
OCCUPATION Legion of Super-Heroes benefactor
BASE Legion World, U.P. Space
HEIGHT 5ft 11in. **WEIGHT** 210 lbs **EYES** Black **HAIR** White
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Brilliant mind for business; possible telepathic and other abilities still unrevealed

In one timeline containing the Legion of Super-Heroes, R.J. Brande made a fortune in the 30th century thanks to his space-hopping stargates that helped make possible the formation of the United Planets.

On a shuttle trip to Earth, an assassination attempt arranged by his business partner nearly claimed his life but he survived due to the intervention of three super-powered teens. Brande dubbed his rescuers Cosmic Boy, Saturn Girl, and Live Wire and arranged for them to join together as the founding members of the Legion of Super-Heroes.

The Legion soon distinguished itself with its own brand of enthusiastic heroism and it wasn't long before Brande became President of the United Planets. Following an accidental tear in space known as the Great Rift Disaster, he left office under the scandal of impeachment, and the corrupt Leland McCauley became the U.P.'s new president. McCauley disbanded the Legion but Brande kept them operating in secret, financing the construction of Legion World to serve as their new headquarters. Although Brande has yet to address questions about his origins, his devotion to the Legion is in no doubt. DW

BRIMSTONE

FIRST APPEARANCE LEGENDS #1 (November 1986)
STATUS Villain **REAL NAME** None
OCCUPATION Destroyer **BASE** Mobile
HEIGHT 50ft 6in. **WEIGHT** 60,000 lbs **EYES** Yellow **HAIR** None
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Incredible strength; generation of intense heat and flame; creation of a giant flaming sword

The giant engine of destruction named Brimstone was created by Darkseid when the member of the New Gods attempted to decimate all of Earth's legends. Darkseid's chief warrior Desaad planted a technoseed in the heart of an experimental generator at S.T.A.R. Labs in New York City. When the generator exploded, Brimstone emerged and began a rampage throughout the city. Believing himself to be a fallen angel of some mysterious, avenging god, Brimstone soon encountered a number of heroes, including Firestorm, the Nuclear Man and the Justice League of America. Discovering Brimstone's true nature as a ball of super-heated plasma, the newly formed Suicide Squad took the giant down and destroyed him by disrupting the magnetic fields that gave him form. Since then Brimstone has been recreated a number of times, always bringing carnage and destruction. PJ

BRONZE TIGER

FIRST APPEARANCE RICHARD DRAGON, KUNG-FU FIGHTER #1 (May 1975)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Benjamin Turner
OCCUPATION Martial arts master **BASE** Detroit
HEIGHT 6ft 3in. **WEIGHT** 240 lbs **EYES** Brown **HAIR** Black
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Master of martial-arts disciplines, including Jeet Kune Do, Hap Kido, Silat, and Savate

Ben Turner began his fighting career on the mean streets of East St. Louis. He developed an interest in martial arts and eventually became a student of the deadly Sensei, leader of the so-called League of Assassins, whose tutelage forged Turner into the human fighting machine known as the Bronze Tiger. As the Tiger, Turner turned against the League while fighting alongside fellow martial artist Richard Dragon (see Dragon, Richard) and later the Suicide Squad assembled by Amanda Waller (see Waller, Amanda). Most recently Amanda Waller convinced Bronze Tiger to rejoin the Suicide Squad. SB

BRAINIAC

First appearance Action Comics #242 (July 1958)
Status Villain **Real name** Vril Dox
Occupation Cyber Conqueror **Base** Mobile
Height Variable **Weight** Variable **Eyes** Red **Hair** None
Special powers/abilities A vast superior intelligence limited only by the technology it currently inhabits. Knowledge of the universe is unparalleled, yet its hubris and emotions restrict its potential.

Once Scientist Prime on distant Colu, Vril Dox attempted to overthrow his technologically advanced world's Supreme Authority. Dox paid for his rebellion by being disintegrated. Yet somehow, his computer-like mind remained intact, traveling thousands of light years to Earth. Using his vast telepathic and psychokinetic abilities, Dox possessed the body of a sideshow mentalist named Milton Fine, to become the power-hungry Brainiac. When Fine's body proved too frail to contain Brainiac's power consciousness, he sought more suitable hosts, each time coming into opposition with Superman.

Foes Brainiac's first meeting with the Man of Steel.

Multiple forms Over the years, Brainiac has been constantly upgraded. The skull-shaped vessel (above) attempted an attack on the Earth. It took Superman and other heroes to repel the invasion and avoid panic in the skies.

Remake and Remodel

In the course of his attempts to conquer Earth, Brainiac has upgraded himself many times, even inhabiting the body of Superman's nemesis Doomsday. Brainiac downloaded his evolved alien psyche into a flawless android shell to become Brainiac 2.5 and threaten Earth with his Omega Spears. These weapons generated an energy web that could shatter the world. After Superman thwarted this scheme, Brainiac 2.5 attempted to increase his personal power by linking all the world's computers, but instead created a portal that enabled his massive, all-powerful future self, Brainiac 13, to enter the 21st century. It took the combined efforts of Brainiac 2.5, Lex Luthor (see Luthor, Lex), and Superman to stop the computer tyrant. While the B13 persona was trapped in a Kryptonian warsuit, Brainiac's modern-day incarnation was trapped within the infant body of Lex's daughter, Lena. To save Metropolis from both present and future androids, Luther was forced to bargain away his own daughter! At least B13 did help Earth stave off the threat of the cosmic conqueror Imperiex. Superman helped teleport the android to the dawn of creation. There, Brainiac 13's energies, coupled with the "Big Bang" itself, created two vast explosions that scattered Brainiac's consciousness over 60 trillion light years of space and time. Brainiac came back even from this, using a future descendant, Brainiac 8 (Indigo) in a plot to destroy the Outsiders. RG

Brainwave The B13 incarnation nearly destroyed Superman and overwrote the entire city of Metropolis.

Great mind Brainiac in his Coluan form of Vril Dox before he was exiled for attempting to overthrow his homeworld.

Exchange Brainiac 2.5, seen here with Lex Luthor's daughter, a pawn in a greater game.

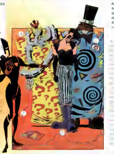
KEY STORYLINES
- **Superman Y2K (tpb, 2001):** Brainiac 13 reaches back from the 30th century to try to control Superman and Metropolis.
- **Panic in the Skies (tpb, 1993):** Brainiac launches an all-out assault on the Earth.
- **The Luthor-Brainiac Team, Superman (2nd series) #27-28:** together the two masterminds attempt to bring down the Man of Steel.
- **Superman: The Doomsday Wars (tpb, 1999):** Brainiac takes over Doomsday.

BROTHERHOOD OF DADA

FIRST APPEARANCE DOOM PATROL (2nd series) #26 (September 1989)
STATUS Anarchic rogues **BASE** Mobile
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES
Mister Nobody (deceased): Can drain the sanity from others
Sleepwalk: Vast superstrength while sleepwalking
Frenzy: Transforms into a whirling cyclone
Fog: Transforms into psychedelic cloud that absorbs human beings
Quiz: Manifests every super power never thought of
Agent "!" (deceased): Blends into any crowd
Number None: Can occupy anyone or anything
Alias the Blur (deceased): Can consume chunks of time
The Toy: Powers unknown

A man known only as **Mister Morden** [illegible] unscrupulous scientist who [illegible] Brotherhood of Evil [illegible] Morden met a former Nazi war criminal [illegible] and agreed to be the human pig [illegible] experiments. Morden was [illegible] being transformed into the abstract man [illegible] Mister Nobody then traveled [illegible] gathering [illegible] strange outcasts including [illegible] the Fog, and the Quiz. Mister N[illegible] [illegible] PJ

GROUP ABSURDITY [illegible] **1)** [illegible] **2)** [illegible] **3)** [illegible] **4)** [illegible]



BROTHER POWER, THE GEEK

FIRST APPEARANCE BROTHER POWER THE GEEK #1 (October 1968)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** None
OCCUPATION Puppet elemental **BASE** Mobile
HEIGHT 6ft **WEIGHT** 150 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Yellow
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Superstrength, resistant to injury; can manifest in puppets, mannequins, or other representations of [illegible]

[illegible] DW

BROTHER BLOOD

FIRST APPEARANCE NEW TEEN TITANS #21 (July 1982)
STATUS Villain **REAL NAME** Unknown
OCCUPATION High priest **BASE** Zandia
HEIGHT 6ft 2in **WEIGHT** 193 lbs **EYES** Grey **HAIR** Black
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Circuitry built into his uniform of office generates bolts of energy; cloak has undefined mystical qualities.

[illegible] RG

BRUTALE

FIRST APPEARANCE NIGHTWING #22 (July 1998)
STATUS Villain **REAL NAME** Guillermo Barrera
OCCUPATION Mercenary **BASE** Hasaragua
HEIGHT 5ft 4in **WEIGHT** 145 lbs **EYES** Almond **HAIR** Black
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Master of knives, particularly his double-edge throwing knives, surgical scalpels, shivs, daggers, and machetes.

[illegible] PJ

BULLETGIRL I & II (WINDSHEAR)

FIRST APPEARANCE MASTER COMICS #13 (April 1941)
STATUS Hero (deceased) **REAL NAME** Susan Kent
OCCUPATION Adventurer **BASE** Fawcett City
HEIGHT 5ft 9in **WEIGHT** 145 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Brown
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES An excellent flyer

FIRST APPEARANCE POWER OF SHAZAM! #32 (November 1997)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Deanna Barr
OCCUPATION Adventurer **BASE** Fawcett City
HEIGHT 5ft 8in **WEIGHT** 135 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Brown
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Army trained marksman, pilot and hand-to-hand combatant

Susan Kent was more than [illegible] about her boyfriend Jim Barr [illegible] the [illegible] BULLETMAN [illegible] as Bulletgirl [illegible] they [illegible] during World War II. After the war Jim and [illegible] they retired from costume crime fighting, [illegible]. They raised a daughter Deanna, and [illegible] home in Fawcett City. After Susan [illegible] causes, Deanna followed in their footsteps [illegible] after stealing her mother's Bulletgirl [illegible] returned to action one final time teaming with her daughter to save Billy Batson (see CAPTAIN MARVEL), Mary Bromfield (see MARY MARVEL) and Freddy Freeman from CHAIN LIGHTNING. RG

BULLETMAN

FIRST APPEARANCE Nickel Comics #1 (May 1940)
STATUS Hero (retired) **REAL NAME** James Barr
OCCUPATION Adventurer **BASE** Fawcett City
HEIGHT 6ft 4in **WEIGHT** 177 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** White
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Brilliant to begin with, the Miraclo variation permanently increased his physical size, strength, and mental abilities; an excellent flyer and tactician.

Jim Barr [illegible] Fawcett City police officer [illegible] variant of HAWKMAN's Thanagarian N[illegible] metal and [illegible] Miraclo steroid compound and took flight as Bulletman. He joined the wave of costumed adventurers that kept the U.S. [illegible] safe during World War II. He was soon accompanied by his girlfriend Susan Kent, who became BULLETGIRL. Bulletman was the first American hero targeted by CAPTAIN NAZI. He later teamed up with S[illegible] to stop a Nazi incursion into Alaska. [illegible] the heroes encountered a [illegible] by Venusian worms that was only [illegible] by the intervention of GREEN LANTERN ALAN SCOTT. After the war Jim and Susan married [illegible] in Fawcett City where Jim built [illegible] based on Bulletman. When Barr was [illegible] committed treason in 1942, CAPTAIN MARVEL and Starman VI cleared the veteran's name. RG

BULLETEER

FIRST APPEARANCE SEVEN SOLDIERS: THE BULLETEER #1 (January 2006)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Alix Harrower
OCCUPATION For-hire hero **BASE** New York City
HEIGHT 6ft **WEIGHT** 155 lbs **EYES** White **HAIR** Silver
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Enhanced strength; metallic skin provides extreme resistance to injury.

Alix Harrower became encased with an indestructible metallic "smartskin" in an accident involving her boyfriend, the inventor of smartskin technology. He died of asphyxiation during the process. Alix took the super hero identity of Bulleteer and made a name for herself as a bodyguard and for-hire adventurer.

Bulleteer signed on to serve with VIGILANTE's new grouping of the SEVEN SOLDIERS OF VICTORY but backed out at the last minute. This spared her from the team's annihilation at the hands of the Sheeda, but Bulleteer became a part of the second, unofficial grouping of the Seven Soldiers. Ultimately Bulleteer killed the Sheeda [illegible] by hitting her with a car. After the [illegible] Bulleteer briefly joined the [illegible] JUSTICE LEAGUE OF AMERICA. DW

BULLOCK, SGT

FIRST APPEARANCE DETECTIVE COMICS #441 (June 1974)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Harvey Bullock
OCCUPATION Former police officer **BASE** Gotham City
HEIGHT 5ft 10in **WEIGHT** 248 lbs **EYES** Brown **HAIR** Black
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Despite shabby appearance, has sharp deductive mind; virtually unstoppable in a brawl.

Harvey Bullock wears his moods on his sleeve along with the crumbs that fall from the donuts he munches whenever he's not chewing on a soggy cigar. A corrupt mayor made him James Gordon's assistant in order to keep an eye on the commissioner (see GORDON, JAMES W.). Developing a deep respect for his boss, Bullock told the mayor where to stick it and became an ally of both Gordon and BATMAN. Bullock later worked for the U.S. government's CHECKMATE agency as a Bishop but soon returned to Gotham. He aided the [illegible] during the catastrophe known as No Man's Land and became head of the G.C.P.D. Major Crimes Unit. When a gunman nearly killed Gordon, Bullock helped the would-be killer's mob enemies rub the hood out. After working as a private detective, Bullock [illegible] ready to make a fresh start. DW

BUMBLEBEE

FIRST APPEARANCE TEEN TITANS (1st series) #45 (December 1976)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Karen Beecher Duncan
OCCUPATION Research engineer, writer **BASE** San Francisco
HEIGHT 5ft 7in **WEIGHT** 130 lbs **EYES** Brown **HAIR** Black
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Solar-powered antennae in cybernetic helmet create electrical "stings" emitted through quartz prism eyepieces; exoskeletal wings enable flight and create sonic disruptions.

The girlfriend of MAL Duncan during his membership in the original TEEN TITANS, Karen Beecher helped Mal develop his sonic [illegible] Gabriel's Horn and [illegible] created her own [illegible] secret identity [illegible] to help Mal prove [illegible] worthiness to the T[illegible] As Bumblebee, Karen [illegible] the Titans. During the Infinite Crisis, a deep-space accident shrank Karen to a height of six inches. She and her husband have since joined the DOOM PATROL. SB

JUST FOR THE BUZZ [illegible] Bumblebee teamed with the [illegible] and the [illegible] the [illegible] extraterrestrial [illegible]

BUSHMASTER

FIRST APPEARANCE SUPER FRIENDS (November 1977); [illegible] continuity) DC COMICS PRESENTS #46 (July 1982)
STATUS Hero (deceased) **REAL NAME** Bernal Rojas
OCCUPATION Herpetologist **BASE** The Dome
HEIGHT 5ft 10in **WEIGHT** 175 lbs **EYES** Brown **HAIR** Brown
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Cybernetic costume allowed him to duplicate various reptilian abilities, including infrared vision, suction devices on hands and feet, a venom gun, heat sensors, camouflage, and flight.

Bernal Rojas [illegible] herpetologist [illegible] Venezuela [illegible] of reptiles [illegible] world. R[illegible] [illegible] the Bushmaster [illegible] Man[illegible] [illegible] he was [illegible] Mist's enemies, a [illegible]. PJ

CACHIRU

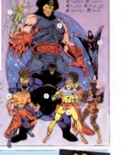
FIRST APPEARANCE THE FLASH ANNUAL (2nd series) #13 (2000)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Unrevealed
OCCUPATION Adventurer **BASE** Argentina
HEIGHT 5ft 7in **WEIGHT** 170 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Black
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Capable of flight although not at great heights or with great speed; experienced hand-to-hand combatant who relies on his talons for greater advantage.

[illegible] MARTIN [illegible] CIMARU [illegible] Among [illegible] of the mark and [illegible] A veteran [illegible] the FLASH [illegible] He [illegible] RG

CADRE, THE

FIRST APPEARANCE JUSTICE LEAGUE OF AMERICA #235 (February 1985) **BASE** Mobile
ORIGINAL MEMBERS AND POWERS
Overmaster (leader) Alien superbeing
Black Mass Wristbands provide control over graviton particles
Crowbar Wields energized crowbar
Fastball Throws explosive spheres using powered accelerator
Nightfall Wristbands create null field that absorbs light and energy
Shatterfist Martial artist with energy-charged hands
Shrike (deceased) Possessed a paralyzing shriek. Flew at superspeed.

[illegible] the Overmaster [illegible] The original Cadre consisted of Black Mass, Crowbar, Fastball, Nightfall, Shatterfist, and Shrike. [illegible] JUSTICE LEAGUE OF AMERICA [illegible] designed to prove to the Overmaster whether the human race deserved to survive. After [illegible] defeat, the Overmaster gathered many [illegible] to his cause and arrived at Mount Everest on Earth at the head of his new mini Cadre. CAPTAIN ATOM and the Justice League fought back against the Cadre, claiming victory by detonating the alien tyrant's starship. Since then few villains have attempted to start a new Cadre separate from the Overmaster's influence. DW



THE ORIGINAL CADRE
1) The Overmaster
2) Nightfall **3)** [illegible]
4) Fastball **5)** Black Mass
6) Shatterfist **7)** Shrike
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CAIN, DAVID

FIRST APPEARANCE BATMAN #567 (July 1999)
STATUS Villain **REAL NAME** Unknown; possibly David Cain
OCCUPATION Adventurer **BASE** Incarcerated in Black Gate Prison
HEIGHT 6ft 2in **WEIGHT** 245 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Gray
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES One of the world's greatest martial artists; knows every move of every fighting style on the planet; highly skilled with every kind of firearm.

Cain is one of the most proficient [illegible] in the world. Questioned [illegible] Cain [illegible] an art form. Cain was Bruce Wayne's martial arts master for a brief time, teaching the young millionaire before clashing with Wayne over methodology. Cain had also adopted an infant girl named Cassandra whom he raised to be his assassin and successor. Teaching Cassandra the language [illegible] martial arts but no other, Cain devoted himself so exclusively to her upbringing that the rest of the world thought that he had died. Several years later [illegible]ndra learned that she had been raised to be a [illegible] and fled from Cain in horror. [illegible] Two-Face subsequently hired [illegible] Commissioner Gordon (see [illegible] JAMES W.) in Gotham City. [illegible] Cain confronted Cassandra [illegible] who rejected him and allied [illegible] with BATMAN. After taking [illegible] ASSASSINS, Cassandra [illegible] her father. PJ

ONE WHO IS ALL Cassandra [illegible] of the world [illegible] thanks to the training she [illegible] her father's guidance [illegible] that [illegible]

FATAL FATE [illegible]

SINISTER SENSEI [illegible] speak [illegible] body language [illegible] [illegible]

CAIN AND ABEL

First appearance (Abel) HOUSE OF SECRETS (1st series) #81 (August 1969); (Cain) HOUSE OF MYSTERY #175 (July 1968)
Status Heroes **Real names** None
Occupation Caretakers/storytellers **Base** The House of Secrets (Abel); The House of Mystery (Cain)
Height 5ft 7in (Abel); 6ft 2in (Cain)
Weight 296 lbs (Abel); 174 lbs (Cain)
Eyes Blue (Abel); brown (Cain) **Hair** Black (Abel); brown (Cain)
Special powers/abilities Can both be endlessly resurrected

[illegible]

remain a "double act." Cain has now resumed his habit of murdering Abel in continual reenactments of the "first story," secure in the knowledge that the ceremony causes Abel no lasting harm.

Cain possesses a unique advantage over his brother in that he wears the Mark of [illegible], an indicator that he cannot be harmed lest the perpetrator suffer God's wrath. This allowed him to enter the realm of Hell without fear in order to deliver a message for Morpheus.

The House of Secrets later became the headquarters for the latest incarnation of the Secret Six. Although Abel appeared to have vacated the home, it still possessed mystical qualities [illegible] protected the Six from [illegible] by outside foes [illegible] the Society (Villains United) found [illegible] the House of Secrets, leading to a free-for-all [illegible] within its walls. DW

Gargoyle Abel has [illegible] pet for [illegible]

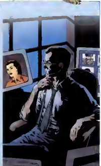
CALCULATOR

First Appearance DETECTIVE COMICS #463 (September 1976)
Status Villain **Real Name** Noah Kuttler
Occupation Information broker **Base** Mobile
Height 5ft 11in **Weight** 189 lbs **Eyes** Green **Hair** Red
Special powers/abilities Genius at manipulating computer networks and data retrieval

The Calculator is one of the most brilliant criminals active today, and is a key information-broker in the world of supervillainy. He began his career as the Calculator by wearing a keypad-themed costume to evoke the appearance of a pocket calculator. After a disastrous stint as a [illegible] villain, he reinvented himself as a computer expert and a sinister counterpart to the superheroes' data resource, Oracle.

The Calculator became a member of the [illegible] circle of the newest Secret Society of Super Villains (Villains United) and has engaged in a [illegible] feud with Oracle, with most of their [illegible] the Internet. DW

Online impact [illegible]



CALENDAR MAN

First Appearance DETECTIVE COMICS #259 (September 1958)
Status Villain **Real Name** Julian Day
Occupation Thief **Base** Gotham City
Height 6ft 1in **Weight** 193 lbs **Eyes** Blue **Hair** Brown
Special powers/abilities Highly-intelligent strategist and inventor

The Calendar Man, Julian Day, is one of the [illegible] who are frequently [illegible]. Day's obsession with calendars [illegible] specific days of the year [illegible]. He became more than a [illegible] super[illegible] he teamed with [illegible] Man and Killer [illegible] Calendar Man [illegible]. There [illegible] crimes in Batman [illegible] Calendar Man [illegible] Batman deduce [illegible] DW

CAPTAIN BOOMERANG

FIRST APPEARANCE FLASH #117 (December 1960)
STATUS Villain (deceased) **REAL NAME** George Harkness
OCCUPATION Criminal **BASE** Keystone City
HEIGHT 5ft 9in **WEIGHT** 167 lbs **EYES** Brown **HAIR** Brown
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES A boomerang throwing expert, he has developed numerous boomerangs with specific functions.

CAPTAIN BOOMERANG II
FIRST APPEARANCE IDENTITY CRISIS #3 (October 2004)
STATUS Antihero **REAL NAME** Owen Mercer
OCCUPATION Adventurer, government agent **BASE** Mobile
HEIGHT 6ft 1in **WEIGHT** 190 lbs **EYES** Gray **HAIR** Red
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Skilled with boomerangs and other thrown weapons, can generate temporary bursts of super speed.

A NATIVE OF AUSTRALIA, George "Digger" Harkness was sent as a young adult to the U.S. by his mother, who was desperate to get her son away from his stepfather. He took a job demonstrating boomerangs for the Wiggins Game Company. Harkness, who had become an expert from years of throwing the wooden device as a kid, was given a uniform and the name Captain Boomerang. While demonstrating the boomerang to kids, Harkness liked to line his pockets with a spot of pilfering. This brought him into conflict with the second FLASH, whom Harkness opposed as Captain Boomerang with a variety of ever more bizarre boomerang gadgets. After the Flash's death, Captain Boomerang served on the government-sponsored SUICIDE SQUAD. However, he missed the thrill of stealing and secretly became MIRROR MASTER II. After the Squad temporarily folded, Captain Boomerang returned to a life of crime in Central City opposed by Flash III. He died during the Identity Crisis event, shot by ROBIN's father. His son Owen Mercer has since taken up the identity of Captain Boomerang II. RG

COME BACK Captain Boomerang applied his native talent to incredible devices such as this deadly trap for the Flash II.

VERSATILE WEAPON [illegible] by both Captain [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] boomerangs.

TEAM REBEL [illegible] Captain Boomerang often clashed with the Suicide Squad's director Amanda Waller.

THE NEXT GENERATION

Owen Mercer never knew his real father until the events of the Identity Crisis, when Digger Harkness – the first Captain Boomerang – reestablished contact. Mercer discovered that he shared his father's talent for [illegible] and also that he could call upon temporary bursts of super speed. It eventually came out that Mercer was the product of a tryst between Harkness and Meloni Thawne, the 30th century mother of Bart Allen (see the FLASH). Harkness died when shot by ROBIN's father and Mercer became the second Captain Boomerang.

Welcomed into the Flash's Rogues Gallery by CAPTAIN COLD (who believed that Mercer might be his nephew and the son of his late sister, the GOLDEN GLIDER), Mercer ran with the Rogues until a jail sentence brought him into contact with a wrongfully imprisoned BLACK LIGHTNING. When Black Lightning's friends in the OUTSIDERS sprang him, Mercer came too. With the Outsiders he found a slightly more respectable family to replace the Rogues, teaming with CHECKMATE to infiltrate the Oolong Island facility run by Chang Tzu (see EGG FU). When BATMAN took control of the Outsiders, Mercer left the team. He found a new purpose with the U.S. government's SUICIDE SQUAD, hunting his former friends in the Rogues. Captain Boomerang II has established a close friendship with SUPERGIRL as well as a mutual respect with ROBIN, despite the fact that their fathers killed one another.

AT ODDS Their fathers killed one another during the events of the Identity Crisis, so Robin and Captain Boomerang II have had a hard time [illegible] a friendship.

KEY STORYLINES
- **SUICIDE SQUAD (1ST SERIES) #1 (MAY 1987):** Captain Boomerang is recruited into a squad of costumed criminals, where his meanness and sarcasm make him standout.
- **IDENTITY CRISIS #1–7 (JUNE–DEC. 2004):** The original Captain Boomerang dies, making contact with his son just before his death.
- **ROBIN #152–153 (SEPTEMBER–OCTOBER 2006):** The new Captain Boomerang and Robin search Gotham to find a bomb planted by the Joker.

VILLAIN RETURNS Owen Mercer wears a patterned scarf to honor the criminal legacy of his [illegible].

CAPTAIN ATOM

FIRST APPEARANCE SPACE ADVENTURES #33 (March 1960)
STATUS Hero (missing in action) **REAL NAME** Nathaniel Christopher Adam a.k.a. Cameron Scott **OCCUPATION** Super hero **BASE** San Francisco **HEIGHT** 6ft 4in **WEIGHT** 200 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** White
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Alien alloy covering body enables him to tap into the quantum field, which gives him superstrength, anti-gravity, and the ability to emit focused blasts of atomic energy; capable of absorbing nuclear energy and quantum leaping one day to one week into the future.

Decades ago, court-martialed Air Force Captain Nathaniel Adam volunteered for the top-secret Captain Atom Project in order to prove his innocence to charges of murder and treason. Adam's superiors theorized that a strange alien alloy would protect him from an atomic blast, a disastrous experiment that melded the alloy to Adam's body and catapulted him 18 years into the future. When the quantum-powered Adam reappeared, he was pardoned in exchange for service as the U.S.-sanctioned super hero, Captain Atom, a federally mandated member of Justice League International (see JUSTICE LEAGUE OF AMERICA). Captain Atom ultimately left Justice League: European branch to form a more proactive but short-lived super hero strike force, EXTREME JUSTICE. After journeying to a parallel Earth during the Infinite Crisis, Captain Atom became the new Monarch, [illegible] an army of super heroes from across the [illegible] he could use against the Monitors. SB

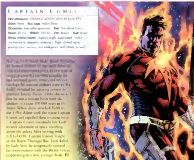
KRYPTONITE CRAZY [illegible] with a kryptonite [illegible] super villain [illegible] Fortunately [illegible] managed [illegible] Atom's body [illegible]

CAPTAIN COLD

FIRST APPEARANCE SHOWCASE #8 (May 1957)
STATUS Villain **REAL NAME** Leonard Snart
OCCUPATION Professional criminal **BASES** Central City/Keystone City
HEIGHT 6ft 2in **WEIGHT** 196 lbs **EYES** Brown **HAIR** Brown
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Cold-guns create ice slicks, shatter metal or entomb victims in suspended animation in blocks of ice. Snow goggles minimize the flashes given off by Captain Cold's guns.

Raised [illegible] Leonard Snart found solace in the company of his [illegible] struck [illegible] Rogues Gallery able to chat over a coffee [illegible] plotting to break into the Keystone [illegible] Bank over the weekend. He began his crime career shortly after Barry Allen's debut as the Flash. Developing an experimental handgun to interfere with the Flash's [illegible] Snart accidentally [illegible] his weapon and came up with a tool that could freeze the moisture in the air. He donned a parka and goggles [illegible] declared himself Captain Cold [illegible] committed a string of (now [illegible] throughout Central and Keystone City but his main obsession lay in [illegible] the Flash. After Barry Allen's death during the Crisis on Infinite Earths (pp. 320–1), a [illegible] Snart [illegible] to become a bounty hunter [illegible] the Golden Glider, Captain Cold sold his eternal soul to the demon Neron, but the third Flash Wally West brought him back to the land of the living. He soon returned [illegible] this time as a member of Wally's Rogues Gallery. Captain Cold recently killed the villain Chillblaine in revenge for the death of his sister. He also helped an amnesiac Wally West [illegible] Minute Moment. Yet, Snart remains an incompetent crook, who hates being mistaken for Mister Freeze. DW

SLIPPERY SLOPE Even the [illegible] All [illegible] Captain Cold's [illegible]



CAPTAIN COMET

FIRST APPEARANCE STRANGE ADVENTURES #9 (June 1951)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Adam Blake
OCCUPATION Interstellar operative **BASE** The planet Cairn
HEIGHT 6ft 2 in **WEIGHT** 190 lbs **EYES** Brown **HAIR** Brown
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Superstrength; superspeed; limited invulnerability; telepathy; telekinesis; flight; slowed aging; photographic memory; vast intelligence; and athletic prowess.

[illegible] sports, music, and science [illegible] his unusual abilities a secret. He finally revealed his amazing powers to [illegible] Emery Zackin. Blake discovered that he was a mutant born with the abilities of a man 100,000 years in the future. When aliens attacked Earth in the 1950s Adam took the name Captain Comet and repelled their invasion force.

Captain Comet eventually left Earth to seek adventure in space, traveling across the galaxy. After serving with L.E.G.I.O.N., Captain Comet fought in the Rann-Thanagar War. Later killed by Lady Styx, he temporarily merged his consciousness with the Weird before reappearing in a new, younger body. PJ

REBIRTH After [illegible] younger body, Captain Comet discovered [illegible] now possessed limited powers of teleportation.

CAPTAIN COMPASS

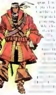
FIRST APPEARANCE STAR SPANGLED COMICS #83 (August 1948)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Mark Compass
OCCUPATION Adventurer **BASE** The High Seas
HEIGHT 6ft **WEIGHT** 175 lbs **EYES** Brown **HAIR** Brown
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES A skilled fighter with a keen deductive mind.

Mark Compass [illegible] sea legs as a frogman for the U.S. Navy, later commanding a few [illegible] well known as a capable and [illegible] investigator. Following his naval stint [illegible] Penny Steamship [illegible] SB

CAPTAIN FEAR

FIRST APPEARANCE ADVENTURE COMICS #425 (January 1973)
STATUS Hero (deceased) **REAL NAME** Fero
OCCUPATION Pirate **BASE** The Caribbean
HEIGHT 5ft 6 in **WEIGHT** 160 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Black
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Excellent swordsman, sailor and fighter, matched only by his skills as a leader and tactician; an average pilot and navigator.

Fero, a young Carib Indian, was taken captive on a Spanish raid sometime in the 16th century. [illegible] work on a Spanish ship [illegible] led the captives [illegible] against their oppressors. After stealing a Spanish galleon [illegible] and winning [illegible] Captain Fear [illegible] Caribbean [illegible] Spanish [illegible] RG



CAPTAIN HUNTER

FIRST APPEARANCE SECRET FILES & ORIGINS GUIDE TO THE DC UNIVERSE 2000 #1 (March 2000)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Lucius Hunter
OCCUPATION Adventurer **BASE** Mobile
HEIGHT 6ft 1in **WEIGHT** 196 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Brown
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Excellent combatant and field leader; body enhanced through transplants.

His name [illegible] the U.S. military, Lieutenant Ben Hunter [illegible] World War II, Ben Hunter [illegible] captain with the [illegible] Captain [illegible] DW

CAPTAIN MARVEL JR.

FIRST APPEARANCE WHIZ COMICS #25 (December 1941)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Frederick "Freddy" Freeman
OCCUPATION Adventurer **BASE** New York City; Fawcett City
HEIGHT 5ft 11in **WEIGHT** 164 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Black
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES By saying "Captain Marvel" aloud, he gains Solomon's wisdom, Hercules's superstrength, Atlas's stamina, Zeus's raw power, Achilles's courage, and Mercury's superspeed. Captain Marvel Jr. shares powers with Mary Marvel and Captain Marvel; if either is using their powers, he has access to only half his power.

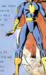
BRAVERY [illegible] killed by Captain Nazi.

A WELL-MANNERED TEENAGER who [illegible] not only academically but athletically [illegible] Freddy Freeman was orphaned when his [illegible] in a boating accident. After the accident [illegible] moved from New York to Fawcett City to live with his grandparents Jacob and Elizabeth. Shortly after moving to Fawcett City, Freddy was kidnapped by the demonic SABBAC, who mistakenly believed Freeman to be Billy Batson, the young alter ego of CAPTAIN MARVEL, the World's Mightiest Mortal. Freed from Sabbac's evil clutches by his idol Captain Marvel, Freddy subsequently became one of Billy Batson's closest friends, unaware that the young Batson was in truth the hero he so admired.

EVIL [illegible]

THE WORLD'S MIGHTIEST BOY

Years later, however, Freddy learned Billy's secret identity after [illegible] MARY MARVEL [illegible] fishing trip with his grandfather Jacob, Freddy saw what [illegible] be Captain Marvel plummeting from the heavens [illegible] the lake where he and his grandfather were [illegible] the Nazi awakened from a [illegible] sleep [illegible] Captain Nazi had been battling Captain Marvel [illegible] [illegible] Captain Nazi [illegible] Freddy [illegible] escaped.



Captain Marvel and Mary Marvel [illegible] secret [illegible] the wizard Shazam who had [illegible] Freddy [illegible] the Wizard [illegible] Captain Marvel [illegible] power with Freddy. The Wizard granted [illegible] When Freddy awoke and spoke the words "Captain Marvel" [illegible] the World's Mightiest Boy. The three Marvels [illegible] together and Freddy's romantic feelings for Mary [illegible] himself grew fiercely [illegible]

After a fight between the two over Mary, the [illegible] Captain Marvel Jr. [illegible] New York City, and promptly fell in [illegible] Freddy [illegible] defeated Captain Nazi [illegible] CM3, announcing his split from the Marvel Family. [illegible] has experienced a [illegible] of Shazam at the hands of the [illegible] Captain Marvel, who had taken Shazam's place [illegible] Rock of Eternity [illegible] of trials for Freddy [illegible] gods that powered the Marvel family: Solomon, Hercules, Atlas, Zeus, Achilles, and Mercury. PJ

BOY ZONE [illegible] Captain Marvel Jr. Freddy is the World's Mightiest Boy.

MARVELOUS After defeating Captain Nazi again [illegible] Marvel Jr. [illegible] Marvel [illegible]

KEY STORYLINES
- **POWER OF SHAZAM #8 (OCTOBER 1995):** The modern Freddy Freeman is introduced, nearly dying at the hands of Captain Nazi!
- **TEEN TITANS #17-18 (JANUARY–FEBRUARY 1998):** Captain Marvel Jr. joins the Titans after the teen heroes hold a recruitment drive to swell their ranks.
- **POWER OF SHAZAM #37 (APRIL 1998):** Conquering his internal demons—and the demon haunting his dreams—Captain Marvel Jr. changes his name to CM3.
- **YOUNG JUSTICE #50 (DECEMBER 2002):** CM3 and a horde of teenage heroes invade Zandia and battle a host of super-villains held by Lady Zand and the Baron Agua Sin Gaaz!

CAPTAIN MARVEL

THE WORLD'S MIGHTIEST MORTAL

FIRST APPEARANCE WHIZ COMICS #1 (February 1940)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** William Joseph "Billy" Batson
OCCUPATION Radio Personality, super hero
BASE Fawcett City
HEIGHT (as Billy) 5ft 4in, (as Captain Marvel) 6ft 2in
WEIGHT (as Billy) 110 lbs, (as Captain Marvel) 215 lbs
EYES Blue **HAIR** Black
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES
Virtually invulnerable and able to fly, possesses the wisdom of Solomon, the strength of Hercules, the stamina of Atlas, the power of Zeus, the courage of Achilles, and the speed of Mercury.

WITHOUT A DOUBT Captain Marvel is the world's mightiest mortal, with strength and powers on a par with Superman. But unknown to many, this stalwart and virtuous super hero—by all appearances a middle-aged man—is really teenager Billy Batson. With one magic word, youthful Billy assumes the appearance and abilities of one of Earth's greatest and most respected heroes, however he remains very much an innocent in heart and mind.

ARRIVAL The Big Red Cheese [illegible] Superman and for a time was more popular than the Man of Steel.

ORPHANED AND BETRAYED

When Billy was just a boy, his parents—archaeologists C. C. and Marylin Batson—were killed by their treacherous assistant Theo Adam (*see* BLACK ADAM) while on a dig at the tomb of Ramesses II at Abu Simbel, Egypt. Billy was separated from his sister Mary and left in the care of the unscrupulous Uncle Ebenezer, C. C. Batson's half-brother. Unfortunately, Ebenezer threw Billy out and stole the youth's trust fund money set aside for Billy's care and welfare.

ORPHANED! [illegible]

DOWN IN THE SUBWAY

[illegible] and [illegible] Billy [illegible] a newsboy. For shelter he [illegible] the subway terminals. One [illegible] strange [illegible] the spirit of Billy [illegible] Billy [illegible] to the subway tunnels, where a [illegible] train [illegible] awaited the [illegible] took the train deep into the bowels of the Earth and arrived in a cavern that held statues [illegible] the Seven Deadly Enemies of Man: Pride, [illegible] Hatred, Selfishness, Laziness, and Injustice.

ROCK OF ETERNITY Billy [illegible] the mantle of Shazam.

THE WIZARD'S ADVICE

As Captain Marvel turned back into Billy, the magical lightning bolt also struck a stone block poised above Shazam, apparently crushing the old wizard beneath its great weight. Shazam, however, did not die but instead disappeared to the Rock of Eternity, a distant peak outside time and space. When called upon by Billy in future, Shazam would offer guidance, but not without first reminding the lad to use the marvellous powers at his disposal. He particularly urged Billy to use the wisdom of Solomon when faced by the perils of adolescence and other emotional and practical problems.

THE MAGIC WORD

Within that strange cavern Billy met the ancient wizard Shazam, a champion of mankind for thousands of years. Withered with age, Shazam sat on a throne, poised beneath [illegible] suspended above him as if by magic. Shazam [illegible] to succeed him and granted the young orphan [illegible] extraordinary powers. By speaking the wizard's name, a lightning bolt transformed adolescent Billy into the adult Captain Marvel, a hero possessing the wisdom of Solomon, the strength of Hercules, the stamina of Atlas, the power of Zeus, the courage of Achilles, and the speed of Mercury. With this great gift also came responsibility: he must vow to uphold the cause of good and to battle the Seven Deadly Enemies of Man, duties that Billy promised faithfully to fulfill every time he uttered the name "Shazam!"

ANGRY AT FIRST Billy [illegible] a blessing or a curse.

MERCY FOR A MURDERER

Captain Marvel's very first adventure found him battling Black Adam, his parents' killer, enabled with his own superpowers. Theo Adam channeled the strengths of Teth-Adam, a man empowered with similar abilities by Shazam during Egypt's 19th dynasty via an ancient scarab amulet first discovered by Billy's parents. Captain Marvel defeated Black Adam by removing his amulet, thus stripping him of his powers, at least for a while. Instead of allowing the murderer Theo Adam to die in a collapsing mine tunnel, however, Captain Marvel spared the life of the man who murdered his family.

THE MARVEL FAMILY

Later, at the Rock of Eternity, Billy [illegible] who had hired [illegible] Shazam was really his [illegible] Captain Marvel [illegible] one of Shazam's gifts [illegible] well as his long-lost sister, MARY MARVEL. Eventually Billy and Mary were reunited and Captain Marvel [illegible] with him. He also gave some power to their crippled friend, newsboy Freddy Freeman (CAPTAIN MARVEL JR.), who had been crippled by the villainous CAPTAIN NAZI. In the meantime, Captain Marvel became a member of the JUSTICE LEAGUE OF AMERICA, although Billy often felt inferior to his more confident super hero peers.

DO THE RIGHT THING

Back home in Fawcett City, Billy returned to school and worked as an announcer for WHIZ radio. At the same time, Captain Marvel wielded Shazam's great powers to battle such evils as MISTER MIND, DOCTOR SIVANA, MISTER ATOM, and the MONSTER SOCIETY OF EVIL. Through it all, Captain Marvel fought with indefatigable spirit, perhaps the purest of any costumed champion. Captain Marvel's wholesome heroism and integrity made him spokesman of the prize most coveted by the [illegible] STARS II was [illegible] Billy and his [illegible] have always had the [illegible] [illegible]

RADIO STAR *Billy Batson is the alter ego of Captain Marvel.*

LOOKING TO THE FUTURE

Captain Marvel served with the JUSTICE SOCIETY OF AMERICA, helping curb Black Adam's excesses when his nemesis became dictator of Khandaq. He also aided Superman when ECLIPSO took control of the Man of Steel.

During the Infinite Crisis, the rampaging SPECTRE killed the wizard Shazam and destroyed the Rock of Eternity. Although the planet's magic users helped rebuild the Rock, Billy Batson had no choice but to assume Shazam's former role as caretaker. Now known simply as Marvel, he sported an all-white costume and long, flowing white hair. He set a series of trials before Captain Marvel Jr. in the hopes of turning him into a worthy replacement. **SB**

ENEMY ALLIED *Captain Marvel [illegible] fight alongside [illegible] Black Adam [illegible]. Both were members of the JSA.*

KEY STORYLINES

- ***THE POWER OF SHAZAM (H/C, 1994):*** The legend of Captain Marvel is retold in this novel as Billy Batson is given great power by uttering one magic word: Shazam!
- ***UNDERWORLD UNLEASHED #1-3 (NOV.–DEC. 1995):*** The super-villains bargain with the devil Neron for greater powers, but the ultimate prize in the Mephistophelian epic is Captain Marvel's incorruptible soul!
- ***THE POWER OF SHAZAM #33-41 (MAR.–AUG. 1998):*** The Big Red Cheese battles the Monster Society of Evil. He learns that the wicked worm, Mr. Mind, was first imprisoned on the planet Venus by Green Lantern Alan Scott.

CAPTAIN NAZI

FIRST APPEARANCE MASTER COMICS #21 (December 1941)
STATUS Villain **REAL NAME** Albrecht Krieger
OCCUPATION Would-be world conqueror **BASE** The Slab
HEIGHT 6ft 4in **WEIGHT** 205 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Blond
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Superhuman strength, above-average speed, endurance, and invulnerability.

In 1941 Albrecht Krieger was presented to Adolf Hitler as the ultimate development of the Aryan "master race." This so-called epitome of perfection became known as Captain Nazi. Intensely loyal to the Führer for the rest of World War II, Captain Nazi frequently clashed with the Allies' costumed champions, particularly the Spy Smasher, proving himself a formidable foe.

When the war ended, [illegible] and Spy Smasher [illegible] with Captain Nazi [illegible] the freighter *La Pel* [illegible] failed to prevent the [illegible] from retrieving [illegible] storage tank from the [illegible] and disappearing. This tank proved to be a cryogenic unit that the [illegible] Captain Nazi [illegible] Freddy Freeman, Captain Marvel [illegible] Captain [illegible] Nazi has continued to plague the Marvel Family, only to meet constant defeat. RG

NAZI SYMPATHIZERS
[illegible] Captain Nazi's [illegible] *the fascist cause* [illegible] *Baron Wolf and* [illegible]

CAPTAIN STORM

FIRST APPEARANCE CAPTAIN STORM #1 (June 1964)
STATUS Hero (deceased) **REAL NAME** William Storm
OCCUPATION U.S. Navy PT boat commander
BASE World War II Europe and Pacific theaters
HEIGHT 5ft 11in **WEIGHT** 167 lbs **EYES** Brown **HAIR** Brown
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Courageous leader and above-average battlefield combatant.

[illegible] World War II, Captain William Storm [illegible] DW

CAPTAIN STINGAREE

FIRST APPEARANCE DETECTIVE COMICS #460 (June 1976)
STATUS Villain **REAL NAME** Karl Courtney
OCCUPATION Professional criminal **BASE** Gotham City
HEIGHT 6ft 2in **WEIGHT** 198 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** None
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Expert swordsman and skilled hand-to-hand combatant.

Captain Stingaree [illegible] Karl Courtney [illegible] Captain Stingaree [illegible] DW

BAT VILLAIN
[illegible]

CAPTAIN TRIUMPH

FIRST APPEARANCE CRACK COMICS #27 (January 1943)
STATUS Hero (missing) **REAL NAMES** Lance and Michael Gallant
OCCUPATION (Lance) unknown; (Michael) former pilot
BASE New York City
HEIGHT 6ft 1in **WEIGHT** 198 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Blond
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES When Lance touched his birthmark, he merged with the spirit of his brother Michael and became Captain Triumph, who possesses superstrength, invulnerability, the power of flight, and invisibility.

Lance and Michael Gallant [illegible] World War II, Michael [illegible] PJ

CAPTAIN X

FIRST APPEARANCE STAR SPANGLED COMICS #1 (October 1941)
STATUS Hero (deceased) **REAL NAME** Richard "Bush" Dare
OCCUPATION Newspaper reporter **BASE** Mobile
HEIGHT 5ft 10in **WEIGHT** 175 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Chestnut
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Expert hand-to-hand combatant. Captain X's radio-controlled aircraft Jenny was virtually invisible from a distance and used uranium 235 as its atomic fuel source.

A reporter for the [illegible] World War II, Richard "Bush" Dare [illegible] SB

CARR, SNAPPER

FIRST APPEARANCE BRAVE AND THE BOLD #28 (February 1960)
STATUS Ally to super heroes (retired) **REAL NAME** Lucas Carr
OCCUPATION Author **BASE** Happy Harbor, Rhode Island
HEIGHT 5ft 10in **WEIGHT** 175 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Brown
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Formerly could teleport by snapping his fingers; lost this ability when his hands were severed

[illegible] Snapper Carr [illegible] headquarters [illegible] snapping [illegible] "Snapper" [illegible] superpowers [illegible] "John Dough" [illegible] JLA's headquarters; Snapper [illegible] making Snapper [illegible]

Snapper left the League and fell under the sway of the Key [illegible] him as the criminal Star-Tsar. Snapper [illegible] married Bethany Lee, some time before [illegible] captured by the Dominators (see Alien Races [illegible]) He was subjected to many tests, which [illegible] him a teleporting metagene. Snapper and other human survivors of the alien experiments fought their way to freedom and then worked as the BLASTERS. Snapper was captured by the Khund (see Alien Races pp. 166–7) who severed his hands. Thanks to [illegible] Vril Dox, his hands were replaced by [illegible] and he returned to Earth. Snapper became a [illegible] to the android from the future HOURMAN III. He then made a fortune writing his JLA memoirs. He was a mentor to YOUNG JUSTICE, returning home when the team disbanded. RG

FINGER-POPPER Snapper [illegible] JLA [illegible] began to feel like a fifth wheel.

CASCADE

FIRST APPEARANCE JUSTICE LEAGUE QUARTERLY #17 (Winter 1994)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Sujatmi Sunawaparti
OCCUPATION Plant worker and activist **BASE** Bali, Indonesia
HEIGHT 5ft 3in **WEIGHT** 105 lbs **EYES** Brown **HAIR** Black
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Can transform any part or all of her body into water; can psychically control large bodies of water, causing them to take simple shapes

Born [illegible] of Java in Indonesia, Sujatmi [illegible] the Japanese [illegible] had adopted [illegible] suppressing local cultures [illegible] Sujatmi [illegible] Bornes. Sujatmi [illegible] liquid when she [illegible] PJ

CARSON, CAVE

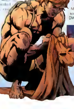
FIRST APPEARANCE THE BRAVE AND THE BOLD #31 (August 1960)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Calvin Carson
OCCUPATION Professional spelunker, geology professor **BASE** Mobile
HEIGHT 5ft 11in **WEIGHT** 178 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Sandy
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Highly intelligent, with a natural gift for his area of expertise; one eye is cybernetic

[illegible] Mighty Mole [illegible] When [illegible] Christie Madison [illegible] Bulldozer Smith [illegible] Blake, Carson and his colleagues [illegible] before the Modern Age of heroes [illegible] of SUPERMAN).

After finding lost Nazi gold [illegible] travel technology the [illegible] Mighty Mole. They settled for the time travel [illegible] letting Carson keep the Mole. When Superman returned the public turned their attention away from Carson. His team broke up and Carson drifted into semi-retirement. As a geology teacher he had a romance with student [illegible] Hunter, which led him to use his [illegible] Forgotten Heroes [illegible] His [illegible] worked with [illegible] known as the Forgotten Heroes. Carson [illegible] Christie and Bulldozer [illegible] S.T.A.R. Labs research [illegible] leading the Forgotten Heroes. RG

CAT-MAN

FIRST APPEARANCE DETECTIVE COMICS #311 (January 1963)
STATUS Villain **REAL NAME** Thomas Blake
OCCUPATION Professional criminal **BASE** Gotham City
HEIGHT 6ft **WEIGHT** 179 lbs
EYES Green **HAIR** Brown
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Talented inventor; remarkable physical agility; believed to have "nine lives" from the mystical cloth used in his costume



Thomas Blake worked in big-game hunting, [illegible] cats and selling them to zoos. His cat obsession [illegible] him to a Pacific island and its native [illegible] cult," from which he stole a sacred [illegible] carving and the cloth that [illegible] it. Back in Gotham Blake [illegible] a costumed criminal. As Cat-Man he made a cape and cowl from the carving's wrap and added razor-tipped gauntlets to his costume. He made feline-themed accessories inspired by CATWOMAN and BATMAN, like catarangs and a turbocharged [illegible] car. His narrow escapes appeared to bear out his belief that his costume gave him nine lives. The earthquake [illegible] No Man's [illegible] Cat-Man [illegible] Blackgate prison [illegible] joined the [illegible] Program after [illegible] MONSIEUR MALLAH [illegible] time to attend [illegible] DW

FELINE FIEND [illegible] Cat-Man attempts to make [illegible] of Batman and Robin.

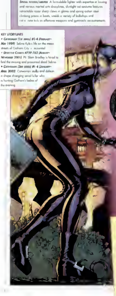
CATWOMAN

PRINCESS OF PLUNDER

PURPLE PRINCESS [illegible]

FIRST APPEARANCE BATMAN #1 (Spring 1940)
STATUS Unresolved **REAL NAME** Selina Kyle
OCCUPATION Cat burglar/vigilante **BASE** Gotham City's East End
HEIGHT 5ft 7in **WEIGHT** 132 lbs **EYES** Blue-green **HAIR** Black
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES A formidable fighter with expertise in boxing and various martial arts disciplines; skintight cat costume features retractable razor sharp claws in gloves and spring-action steel climbing prices in boots; wields a variety of bullwhips and cat-o-nine-tails as offensive weapons and gymnastic accoutrements.

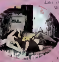
KEY STORYLINES
- *CATWOMAN (1ST SERIES) #1-4 (FEBRUARY–MAY 1989)* Selina Kyle's life on the mean streets of Gotham City is recounted.
- *DETECTIVE COMICS #759-762 (AUGUST–NOVEMBER 2001)* PI Slam Bradley is hired to find the missing and presumed dead Selina.
- *CATWOMAN (3RD SERIES) #1-4 (JANUARY–APRIL 2002)* Catwoman stalks and defeats a shape-changing serial killer who is hunting Gotham's ladies of the evening.



SELINA KYLE'S CHILDHOOD was defined by tragedy. When Selina was just a girl, her brutalized mother committed suicide and her violent father drank himself to death not long after. Separated from her younger sister Magdalena and remanded to the Spring Hall Juvenile Detention Center—an abusive state home for orphaned or delinquent girls—Selina opted instead to take her chances on the mean streets of Gotham City. Amid the crime and corruption of the poverty-stricken East End district, she survived through petty theft. Sharp wits and an amazing natural skill as a gymnast led to her becoming the slickest and slipperiest cat burglar the Gotham City Police Department had ever had to deal with.

THE FELINE FATALE

To protect herself from predators Selina studied martial arts in a [illegible] where a Sensei taught her how best to use her claws. Later ex-heavyweight champ Ted Grant (see WILDCAT I) taught Selina the sweet science of boxing. For a time Selina was the most [illegible] unpolished thief nobody knew. [illegible] one of the most generous [illegible], her ill-gotten gains [illegible] the downtrodden and destitute of [illegible] East End, including the young [illegible] Holly [illegible] Robinson [illegible] Selina befriended and watched [illegible] once she believed she no longer [illegible] Selina would have continued to [illegible] the Batman [illegible] from her [illegible] Selina [illegible] and was suitably [illegible] the Gotham night [illegible] as her territory. However, she never killed [illegible] the wealthiest of the [illegible] criminals [illegible] Sometimes [illegible] the Princess of Plunder [illegible] the lieutenant of [illegible] Selina [illegible] Catwoman more than just a thief in the night.



ALLEY CAT [illegible]

TOP THIEF [illegible]

THE CAT AND THE BAT

After faking her own demise, Selina left Gotham for a time but eventually returned to the city's East End, where she defended the defenseless. Catwoman learned Batman's best-kept secret when the Dark Knight took her to his Batcave and revealed his identity to her. They finally admitted their feelings for each other (see Romantic Moments p. 281) but then parted because Catwoman did not believe Batman trusted her. Selina began seeing private detective Slam Bradley (see BRADLEY, SLAM) but Slam realized that Selina's heart would always belong to Batman. Catwoman enjoyed her adventures on the other side of the fence, stealing only when necessary and usually if the loot would do someone other than herself a bit of good.

WHIP SMART [illegible] Gotham

Death mask [illegible]

Helena [illegible] *of her* [illegible] *costumed adventures*

THE EXECUTIONER

Catwoman's path from villainy to [illegible] hit a snag when the realization that her motivation might not come from within. Years earlier during one of her stints with the SECRET SOCIETY OF SUPER VILLAINS, Catwoman underwent an involuntary mind wipe courtesy of the magic-wielding ZATANNA. The act may have subtly nudged her psyche onto a less sinister track, yet Selina still proved capable of cold-blooded acts. In an apparent counterpoint to this revelation, Catwoman shot and killed the Gotham crime lord BLACK MASK when he threatened her friends.

Holly *During her* [illegible] *Holly R*[illegible]

ONE YEAR LATER

Over the course of the following year, Selina conceived a child with Slam Bradley's son Sam, gave birth to a daughter she named Helena. She also retired from adventuring, took the alias [illegible] Dubrovna, and maintained a low-key lifestyle in an East End apartment. Catwoman continued [illegible] her identity assumed by Holly Robinson [illegible] duplicate costume. Most Gothamites didn't know that a second woman had donned the familiar catsuit. Neither did the GCPD. The police took Holly into custody for the murder of Black Mask, necessitating a breakout orchestrated by Selina. Selina's outings [illegible] Catwoman, battling threats to Gotham, became [illegible] frequent after this event.

[illegible] Selina's baby became an easy target for her [illegible] first FILM FREAK and ANGLE MAN and [illegible] Russian team of HAMMER AND SICKLE. [illegible] Selina realized that her dangerous [illegible] would never be compatible with the [illegible] her child and she began plotting an exit [illegible] the Amazons invasion of Washington [illegible] interrupted her plans and Catwoman found herself in a unique position to infiltrate the Gotham wing of the Amazonian Bana sect. Her sabotage of the Bana prevented the destruction of Gotham by a radioactive bomb.

Vulnerable [illegible] *daughter.*

Heartbreak [illegible]

Cat's roar [illegible]

NEW BEGINNINGS

[illegible] *her latest* [illegible] SB/DW

CATSEYE

FIRST APPEARANCE SUICIDE SQUAD (1st series) #53 (May 1991)
STATUS Villain (deceased) **REAL NAME** Unknown
OCCUPATION Yakuza assassin **BASE** Tokyo, Japan
HEIGHT 6ft 1in. **WEIGHT** 195 lbs. **EYES** Brown **HAIR** Black
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Razor-sharp claws tipped with poison; amazing leaping ability; low-level super-speed.

[illegible] and will [illegible] Yakuza [illegible] KATANA [illegible] Dragon Heart Sword [illegible] the Dragon [illegible] Red Shadow [illegible] Suicide Squad [illegible] and Bronze Tiger were [illegible] the Yakuza and freed by KATANA [illegible] while Catseye fought the [illegible] the stolen sword [illegible] attacked the Squad again [illegible] temple and was scraped by his own poison claws while battling Bronze Tiger. [illegible] body was [illegible] explosion caused by [illegible] PJ

CATWOMAN *SEE OPPOSITE PAGE*

CAVALIER

FIRST APPEARANCE DETECTIVE COMICS #81 (November 1943)
STATUS Villain **REAL NAME** Mortimer Drake
OCCUPATION Professional criminal **BASE** Gotham City
HEIGHT 6ft 1in. **WEIGHT** 182 lbs. **EYES** Brown **HAIR** Brown
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Skilled swordsman and hand-to-hand combatant; carries a number of concealed weapons.

Mortimer Drake, the Cavalier, [illegible] Gotham City [illegible] eccentricities Drake [illegible] BATMAN's Rogues Gallery, including Killer Moth [illegible] but continually found himself behind bars after going up against the Dark Knight and his [illegible] ROBIN and BATGIRL [illegible] led to [illegible] in the [illegible] Arkham Asylum [illegible] the Cavalier entered [illegible] DW

CELESTE

FIRST APPEARANCE LEGION OF SUPER-HEROES (4th series) #6 (April 1990)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Celeste McCauley
OCCUPATION Private investigator, adventurer **BASE** Mobile
HEIGHT 5ft 7in. **WEIGHT** 120 lbs. **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Brown
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Naturally wields the emerald energy employed by the Green Lantern Corps.

In [illegible] Legion of Super-Heroes [illegible] Celeste McCauley [illegible] the Bounty [illegible] Rokk [illegible] the Legion of Super-Heroes. [illegible] helped [illegible] Earth before [illegible] accident. During [illegible] became a being of pure energy [illegible] the name Neon she adjusted [illegible] temporal anomalies [illegible] member of the [illegible] Zero Hour [illegible] Celeste's known history [illegible] of Earth. DW

CELSIUS

FIRST APPEARANCE SHOWCASE #94 (September 1977)
STATUS Hero (deceased)
REAL NAME Arani Desai Caulder
OCCUPATION Adventurer **BASE** Kansas City
HEIGHT 5ft 6in. **WEIGHT** 124 lbs.
EYES Brown **HAIR** Black
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Could project rays of intense heat or cold from her hands.

Arani Desai's mother [illegible] blamed [illegible] death by her father [illegible] Arani was raised [illegible] servants and [illegible] away [illegible] years Arani [illegible] was rescued by Niles Caulder [illegible] the DOOM PATROL [illegible] married her [illegible]

[illegible] Arani [illegible] assembled a [illegible]

Tragically [illegible] of Earth [illegible] that Arani had [illegible] was a poor deluded [illegible] even after he treated her as a [illegible] PJ

CENTRIX

FIRST APPEARANCE JUSTICE LEAGUE QUARTERLY #17 (Winter 1994)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Mark Armstrong
OCCUPATION Adventurer **BASE** Vancouver Island, British Columbia
HEIGHT 5ft 9in. **WEIGHT** 160 lbs. **EYES** Green **HAIR** Brown
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Projects invisible energy force waves in equal and opposite directions from his body; carries arsenal of small pellets and other projectiles propelled by force waves.

A [illegible] Mark Armstrong [illegible] wealthy [illegible] super-heroes, Armstrong put his abilities to [illegible] ECLIPSO [illegible] Vancouver Island [illegible] SB

CHAIN LIGHTNING

FIRST APPEARANCE POWER OF SHAZAM! #14 (April 1996)
STATUS Villain **REAL NAME** Amy
OCCUPATION Criminal **BASE** Mobile **HEIGHT** 5ft 4in.
WEIGHT 121 lbs. **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Platinum blonde
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES A multiple personality, she absorbs electrical current but cannot control it without artificial help.

An [illegible] kicked [illegible] her early [illegible] electrical energy [illegible] Amy [illegible] multiple personalities [illegible] New York, but [illegible] CAPTAIN MARVEL JR., earning her sincere affection [illegible] other three personalities, however, are [illegible] Amber [illegible] angry, aggressive, and very [illegible] The Inner Child [illegible] a small girl trapped inside [illegible] Together they are known as Chain Lightning [illegible] at different times [illegible] Shazam's [illegible] lightning bolt [illegible] accidentally gave all [illegible] physical [illegible] Captain Marvel Jr. and MARY MARVEL [illegible] S.T.A.R. [illegible] RG

CHALLENGERS OF THE UNKNOWN

FIRST APPEARANCE SHOWCASE #6 (January 1957)
STATUS Hero team
BASE Challenger Mountain, Colorado Rockies
CURRENT MEMBERS AND POWERS
Prof Haley Skin diver and oceanographer
Red Ryan Mountaineer and former circus acrobat
June Robbins Computer and robotics expert
Rocky Davis Wrestling champion and top strategist
Ace Morgan Former test pilot and amateur sorcerer
Clay Brady Former race-car driver
Marlon Corbett Top-notch pilot
Kene Kawa Software and electronics specialist
Brenda Rankin Brilliant theoretical physicist
June Walker Hypertime duplicate of June Robbins from an alternate timeline

[illegible]

[illegible] Challenger [illegible] Dr. June Robbins [illegible] as an [illegible] with Challengers.

Prof Haley accidentally [illegible] Challenger Mountain, sending himself and June [illegible] dimension. The other members thought [illegible] and learned [illegible] in their absence Prof and June [illegible], but Ace soon followed them into a [illegible]. Left alone, Red formed the Challengers name to a new team: Clay Brady, Marlon Corbett, Kene Kawa, and Brenda Rankin. [illegible] Prof and Ace soon reappeared and then [illegible], this time in hypertime where they [illegible] Zero. The Challengers later learned that [illegible], they no longer existed in the book of Destiny. They are now the caretakers of the book, keeping [illegible] the lost bits of opportunity such as the Luck Lords. [illegible]

ORIGINALS [illegible] a link between the [illegible] heroes of the modern [illegible]

CHAMELEON

FIRST APPEARANCE ADVENTURE COMICS #267 (November 1961)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Reep Daggle (Interlac approximation)
OCCUPATION Legionnaire **BASE** Metropolis, in 30th century
HEIGHT Variable; usually 5ft 9in **WEIGHT** Variable; usually 145 lbs
EYES Variable; usually yellow **HAIR** Variable; usually none
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Can analyze and store data using his antennae and then shape his body into an exact duplicate of any being or object, however large or small, including antennae dreamed up from his own imagination. He cannot, however, replicate the special powers of others he's duplicating.

Reep Daggle is a Durlan, a race of hooded tentacled aliens that are the object of great fear and mistrust by other races throughout the galaxy for their shape shifting abilities. He serves with the [illegible] through his alien upbringing leaves him unable to relate [illegible] teammates' jokes. Chameleon [illegible] appear as an androgynous [illegible] Durlan, though he is capable of [illegible] cannot duplicate the qualities of an object [illegible] Chameleon serves the Legion well as an infiltrator and spy. **PJ**

CHARAXUS

FIRST APPEARANCE (as Killer Moth) BATMAN #63 (March 1951); (as Charaxus) UNDERWORLD UNLEASHED #1 (November 1995)
STATUS Villain (deceased) **REAL NAME** Drury Walker a.k.a. Cameron Van Cleer **OCCUPATION** Beast **BASE** Gotham City
HEIGHT 6ft 9in **WEIGHT** 202 lbs **EYES** Red **HAIR** Yellow
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Monstrous insect form possesses ten times a normal man's strength; exoskeleton confers virtual invulnerability; secretes a sticky acidic substance that [illegible]

MOTH *Killer Moth's attempts at a big-time kidnapping of billionaire Bruce Wayne were thwarted by Barbara Gordon (Batgirl) on her very first night of crime fighting! The dejected Drury Walker drowned his sorrows with drink before meeting and teaming up with another bad-guy, Garfield Lynns, alias the Firefly!*

Drury Walker the man was little more than a joke. As Killer Moth, he offered his services as paid protector to Gotham's gangsters. Despite an arsenal of ingenious weaponry, including his signature cocoon gun, the colorful Killer Moth was bested by Batman at every turn, leaving his clients both irate and incarcerated. Then Barbara Gordon, dressed for a costume party as Batgirl, defeated the Moth, earning Walker further ridicule. Finally, he made a deal with a devil—the tempter Neron—who gave Walker his heart's desire.

What Walker wanted most was to be feared, but what he received in exchange for his soul was metamorphosis into a real Killer Moth—the man-eating Charaxus!

Charaxus has repeatedly turned up in the Gotham area seeking sustenance to survive and usually crossing paths with Robin. During the Infinite Crisis, Superboy-Prime tore Charaxus in half. **RG**

NEXT *The monstrous Charaxus continues to mutate. What's worse, he may be reproducing!*

CHARYBDIS

FIRST APPEARANCE AQUAMAN (5th series) #1 (August 1994)
STATUS Villain **REAL NAME** Charybdis
OCCUPATION Would-be conqueror **BASE** The Seven Seas
HEIGHT 6ft 4in **WEIGHT** 237 lbs **EYES** Black **HAIR** Black
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Can absorb the latent talents of others in Piranha Man form; possesses superhuman strength and ability to breath on land or in water

[illegible] RG

LOSING A HAND [illegible]

TRANSFORMATION [illegible]

CHASE, CAMERON

FIRST APPEARANCE BATMAN #550 (January 1998)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Cameron Chase
OCCUPATION D.E.O. investigator **BASE** New York City
HEIGHT 5ft 5in **WEIGHT** 129 lbs **EYES** Green **HAIR** Blonde
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Highly intelligent; skilled with both computers and handguns; appears to possess a latent ability that allows her to dampen the superpowers of meta-humans. This unconscious talent has protected her in the past; she has yet to inspire it to the full.

[illegible] DW

CHAVARD, ANDRE

FIRST APPEARANCE BOY COMMANDOS #1 (July 1942)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** André Chavard
OCCUPATION Adventurer **BASE** Paris, France
HEIGHT 5ft 9in **WEIGHT** 165 lbs **EYES** Brown **HAIR** Black
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES A natural leader able to inspire respect and loyalty in others; a capable marksman and hand-to-hand combatant.

[illegible] PJ

CHECKMATE

FIRST APPEARANCE ACTION COMICS #598 (March 1988)
STATUS United Nations Security Council Agency **BASE** The Castle, Switzerland
PAST OPERATIVES Sasha Bordeaux, Mister Terrific II, Fire, Thinker, Count Vertigo, Mademoiselle Marie, Jessica Midnight, Tommy Jagger, Basil Serrano, Rocket Red, August General In Iron, Master Jailer, Snapper Carr, Gravedigger, Cinnamon, Sebastian Faust, G.I. Robot

Checkmate was established by [illegible] Waller (see WALLER, AMAN[illegible]) as an independent unit of Task Force X, a bureau that also held administrative control over the Suicide Squad. Like the Squad, Checkmate engaged in top-secret missions vital to U.S. interests.

FORTRESS [illegible]

FIELD ACTION [illegible]

FIRST INCARNATION

Structured after the hierarchy of chess pieces, Checkmate was led by a Queen or King, followed by administrative Bishops, field directors (Rooks), well-armed field agent Knights, and support tech Pawns. The agency's first Queen was Valentina Vostok, formerly Negative Woman, later replaced by Waller herself. Checkmate was nearly destroyed by the terrorist group Kobra, a debacle referred to as the Janus Directive, which saw Waller unseated as leader. Maxwell Lord (see LORD, MAXWELL) eventually rose to the position of King, [illegible] Beetle and funding the OMAC project.

RESEARCH SUBJECT [illegible]

AGENCY REBUILT

Lord's death and the Infinite [illegible] Checkmate's [illegible] the U.N. [illegible] the organization as a multina[illegible] to monitor global metah[illegible]. To stop superhumans [illegible] have a normal human [illegible] (Green Lantern) served as the first White King, [illegible] White Queen Sasha Bordeaux [illegible] and Tahk Bem Khalil as Black King. [illegible] Checkmate faced off with [illegible] became involved with [illegible] Prince deposed the [illegible] Checkmate Pawn [illegible] the Outsiders in sabotage [illegible] (or Bao Fu) on Oolong Island. Waller, who had her own agenda [illegible] against Kobra [illegible] and unleashed [illegible] Sebastian Faust [illegible] **SB/DW**

DOWN BUT NOT OUT [illegible] Checkmate [illegible]

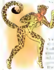
MISSION BRIEFING [illegible]

CHECKOUT [illegible] Outsiders teamed up with Checkmate [illegible]

KEY STORYLINES
- **CHECKMATE VOL. 1 #15–18 (MAY–JUNE 1989)** The Janus Directive sees Checkmate crippled by inter-agency fighting while Kobra plots to rule the world.
- **COUNTDOWN TO INFINITE CRISIS #1 (MAY 2005)** Max[illegible] Checkmate's King, kills Blue Beetle to protect [illegible] involvement with the OMAC project.
- **CHECKMATE VOL. 2 #18–20 (SEPT–NOV 2007)** In the "Fall of the Wall" storyline, Amanda Waller's activities catch up with her and the Checkmate members force her resignation.

CHEETAH I

FIRST APPEARANCE WONDER WOMAN (1st series) #6 (Fall 1943)
STATUS Villain **REAL NAME** Priscilla Rich
OCCUPATION Criminal **BASE** New York City
HEIGHT 5ft 4in **WEIGHT** 119 lbs **EYES** Green **HAIR** Brown
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Acrobatic, cunning, and an above-average athlete; a stylish dresser.



[illegible] New York [illegible] Wonder Woman [illegible] Wonder Woman [illegible] Cheetah. Rather than kill Hippolyta [illegible] the Cheetah [illegible] the Amazon Queen [illegible] Wonder Woman [illegible] attempt to destroy the Amazon Queen. Once Wonder Woman [illegible] the Cheetah [illegible] from the spotlight, completing her eventual [illegible] disgrace. RG

CHEETAH III

FIRST APPEARANCE WONDER WOMAN (2nd series) #142 (April 1999)
STATUS Villain (deceased) **REAL NAME** Sebastian Ballesteros
OCCUPATION Industrialist **BASE** Buenos Aires, Argentina
HEIGHT 6ft 4in **WEIGHT** 185 lbs **EYES** Brown **HAIR** Black (graying at temples)
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Possesses superstrength and can strike at amazing speed; claws and teeth can rend metal; prehensile tail and hyper-acute senses make him a truly formidable combatant.

Corporate raider Sebastian Ballesteros [illegible] Argentina. But Sebastian [illegible] Urzkartaga [illegible] the new Cheetah [illegible] Ballesteros [illegible] RG

CHIMICAL KING

FIRST APPEARANCE ADVENTURE COMICS #371 (August 1968)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Condo Arlik
OCCUPATION Reporter; adventurer **BASE** Mobile
HEIGHT 5ft 7in **WEIGHT** 160 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Black
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Mutant ability to act as a "human catalyst" and selectively speed up or slow down chemical reactions.

[illegible] Arlik [illegible] the Legion [illegible] Legion [illegible] Super-Villains [illegible] the Legion [illegible] Arlik [illegible] DW

CHEMO

FIRST APPEARANCE SHOWCASE #39 (August 1962)
STATUS Villain **REAL NAME** Chemo
OCCUPATION Destroyer **BASE** Mobile
HEIGHT 25ft–100ft **WEIGHT** 5,497 lbs–88,451 lbs
EYES Purple **HAIR** None
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Plastic body composed of deadly chemicals; can spew acid hundreds of feet from its mouth and can significantly increase its size, weight, and density; low-level sentience.

[illegible] Nocturn hoped [illegible] However, the volatile [illegible] Metal Men [illegible] Chemo [illegible] PJ

CHEETAH II

FIRST APPEARANCE WONDER WOMAN (2nd series) #7 (August 1987)
STATUS Villain **REAL NAME** Barbara Ann Minerva
OCCUPATION Archaeologist **BASE** Nottingham, England
HEIGHT 5ft 9in **WEIGHT** 140 lbs **EYES** Brown **HAIR** Auburn
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Highly intelligent but an untrained combatant until she channeled the Cheetah spirit; then she possessed above-average strength and agility.

Archaeologist Barbara Minerva sought [illegible] that would further her [illegible]. On one expedition Minerva discovered the lost temple that was home to the African plant-god Urzkartaga. After witnessing another tribe attack the Urzkartagans during their bloodletting ritual, Minerva forced the priest Chuma to reveal the secrets of the ritual. Minerva endured the bloodletting ritual and killed her associate Dr. [illegible] she could offer his blood to Urzkartaga. She was transformed into a vessel for the Cheetah, a feral fiend driven by [illegible]. Chuma became her loyal companion, helping [illegible] while he tended the plant god. As the Cheetah, Minerva [illegible] the lost city of Bana-Mighdall and slaughtered [illegible] Amazons before WONDER WOMAN stopped her. Minerva briefly reformed and became Wonder Woman's friend before the White Magician turned her into a demon. The witch Circe later freed Minerva from Gotham City's Arkham Asylum and forced her to drink a [illegible] made the Cheetah Circe's slave. After Chuma died, Minerva sold her soul to the demon Neron. She became even more lethal [illegible] control to the Cheetah. Barbara lost her powers entirely when Sebastian Ballesteros made a deal with Urzkartaga to become CHEETAH III. She turned to [illegible], the legendary Greek spirit of vengeance, to grant her the power [illegible] control of the Cheetah and hunt Ballesteros down. Minerva slew Ballesteros [illegible] claimed the powers of the Cheetah. RG

FIGHTING [illegible]

CHESHIRE

FIRST APPEARANCE THE NEW TEEN TITANS (1st series) ANNUAL #2 (Summer 1983)
STATUS Villain **REAL NAME** Jade (second name unknown)
OCCUPATION Assassin **BASE** Mobile
HEIGHT 5ft 9in **WEIGHT** 141 lbs **EYES** Green **HAIR** Black
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Superior hand-to-hand combatant; a gifted acrobat; poisons expert; conceals poisons in her razor-sharp fingernails.

[illegible] SB

Catsuit [illegible]

Cat Fight [illegible] trained with [illegible] the Amazon [illegible] when Cheshire tried to stab her in the back!

CH'P

FIRST APPEARANCE Green Lantern (2nd series) #148 (January 1982)
STATUS Hero (deceased) **REAL NAME** Ch'p
OCCUPATION Former Green Lantern **BASE** H'lven
HEIGHT 1ft 8in **WEIGHT** 22 lbs **EYES** Black **HAIR** Brown
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Green Lantern power ring can project anything the bearer imagines.

[illegible] DW

CHRIS KL-99

FIRST APPEARANCE Strange Adventures #1 (September 1950)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Christopher KL
OCCUPATION Space explorer **BASE** 21st-century space
HEIGHT 6ft 2in **WEIGHT** 187 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Red
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES A brilliant astronaut, astronomer, and scientist; an expert hand-to-hand combatant and marksman.

Born in the latter half of the [illegible] Christopher [illegible] PJ

CHIEF, THE

FIRST APPEARANCE My Greatest Adventure #80 (June 1963)
STATUS Unresolved **REAL NAME** Dr. Niles Caulder
OCCUPATION Scientist adventurer **BASE** Mobile
HEIGHT 5ft 10in **WEIGHT** 215 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Red
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES A brilliant scientist and surgeon initially blessed with great compassion for mankind; a strong leader.

[illegible] RG

CHRONOS I

First appearance THE ATOM #3 (November 1962)
Status Villain **Real name** David Clinton
Occupation Professional criminal **Base** Ivy Town
Height 5ft 10in **Weight** 173 lbs **Eyes** Blue **Hair** Black (balding)
Special powers/abilities Chronal-energy powers enable limited control over time; has amassed great wealth by using time-travel to manipulate stock market investments to his advantage.

Petty criminal David Clinton became the masked miscreant known as Chronos after realizing that his frequent incarcerations were the result of not taking enough time to properly plan his crimes. While in prison, Clinton's fascination with clocks and other timepieces helped him to devise inventions that would ensure that time would be on his side for a change.

Chronos frequently clashed with the second ATOM, Ray Palmer. During one such tussle with the Tiny Titan, Chronos lost one of his limbs while reaching through a time portal that suddenly closed shut, severing his arm at the elbow. After years wielding time-themed weapons and devices, Chronos sold his soul to the demon NERON in exchange for true chronal-altering powers. These he later used in clashes with the time-lost LEGION OF SUPER-HEROES. Clinton was briefly inactive while the temporally displaced adventurer Walker Gabriel called himself Chronos (*see* CHRONOS II). When his greatest enemy the Atom disappeared, Chronos went undercover in Ivy Town as a strange figure leaving cryptic clues for the new Atom, Ryan Choi. Chronos and Choi teamed to locate the missing hero. **SB**

Clock watcher
I have [illegible] and more [illegible] more get [illegible] villain [illegible] any time period.

CHRONOS II

First appearance CHRONOS #1 (March 1998)
Status Unresolved **Real name** Walker Gabriel
Occupation Transtemporal agent provocateur, adventurer
Base Mobile **Height** 5ft 11in **Weight** 170 lbs
Eyes Brown **Hair** Black
Special powers/abilities Able to move through time, stepping outside the timestream and traveling in any direction he [illegible].

Industrial spy Walker Gabriel unexpectedly discovered he had a higher calling when he gained the ability to travel through time. He glimpsed the fabled city of Chronopolis and gained an eternal enemy in the form of Konstantin Vyronn, a criminal seeking to manipulate time. When the stress [illegible] their toll on the villain CHRONOS I [illegible] who literally faded away, Gabriel [illegible] Chronos II. His worldview and [illegible] were challenged as he journeyed through time, interacting with all manner of people. In 2111 he helped the JUSTICE LEAGUE OF AMERICA capture a shape-changing serial killer, stranding the murderer in the age of dinosaurs. He also aided Rip Hunter (*see* HUNTER, RIP) trapped in the past as a result of a conflict with the future VANDAL SAVAGE to find his way back to his proper era. In 1351 he stole an artifact from Knossos on Crete at Savage's behest. Chronos II recently appeared to have been killed by PER DEGATON. **RG**

CHRYSALIS

First appearance JUSTICE LEAGUE QUARTERLY #17 (Winter 1994)
Status Undefined **Real name** Inapplicable
Occupation Robotic killer **Base** Marseilles, France
Height 5ft 6in **Weight** 140 lbs **Eyes** White **Hair** Brown
Special powers/abilities Swarms of butterflies hidden inside its body mimic other insects. The robot is armed with bee stingers and venom; it is amphibious and can fly, cling to walls and ceilings, and spin a web to trap adversaries.

Chrysalis is a robot built by [illegible] Yves Mattet. An arch-[illegible] working in Marseilles, France, Mattet [illegible] immigrants for the rise in crime and poverty in the region. Mattet, a skilled bioengineer, built Chrysalis to house swarms of genetically altered insects programmed with a deadly pathogen.

Designed to seem fragile and friendly, the colorful Chrysalis robot targeted specific "undesirable" peoples and released hordes of seemingly harmless insects—mostly butterflies—to infect their communities. Mattet arranged for Chrysalis to become a member of the newest GLOBAL GUARDIANS, but suffered a fatal heart attack soon after. Without Mattet to guide it, the non-speaking, emotionless Chrysalis robot continues to operate under its original deadly programming. **PJ**

Sacrifice [illegible] will [illegible] plans to gain immortality.

CICADA

First appearance FLASH (2nd series) #171 (April 2001)
Status Villain **Real name** David Hersch
Occupation Cult leader **Base** Keystone City
Height 6ft 1in **Weight** 180 lbs **Eyes** Blue **Hair** White
Special powers/abilities Charismatic insane megalomaniac; can achieve immortality by consuming the life-forces of others.

The cult leader [illegible] truly demented decades ago. David [illegible] his wife, [illegible] survived a direct hit [illegible] lightning bolt. Believing that the lightning [illegible] from above, he declared that he [illegible] forever and could somehow find a way to resurrect his wife from the dead. Calling himself Cicada, he inducted dozens of lackeys into his cult of personality. Cicada believed the FLASH III to be a fellow "brother of the lightning." Since he needed to consume life-forces in order to taste eternal life, Cicada decided to harvest only those people whom the Flash had recently saved. Since these souls would otherwise have died, it seemed clear to Cicada that the Flash had been preserving them for use in Cicada's insane resurrection experiments.

The cult leader ordered his "Children of Cicada" to fan out throughout Keystone City armed with mystical daggers that could vampirically absorb the life essences of victims. Cicada's murder spree allowed him to raise his wife from the dead (though only briefly), but he lost his battle with the Flash. Wally West now bears a lightning-shaped scar on his chest as a mark of his encounter with the megalomaniac. The authorities locked Cicada up in Iron Heights, though he recently escaped. **DW**

CINNAMON I

FIRST APPEARANCE WEIRD WESTERN TALES #48 (October 1978)
STATUS Hero (deceased) **REAL NAME** Kate Manser
OCCUPATION Bounty Hunter **BASE** The American West circa 1898
HEIGHT 5ft 4in **WEIGHT** 110 lbs **EYES** Green **HAIR** Red
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Expert with pistol and knife; however, her weapon of choice was a shuriken, a Japanese throwing star.

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CINNAMON II

FIRST APPEARANCE Cinnamon: El Ciclo (October 2003)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Cinnamon (2nd name unknown)
OCCUPATION Gun for hire **BASE** Mobile
HEIGHT 5ft 9in **WEIGHT** 140 lbs **EYES** Green **HAIR** Red
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES A crack shot, quick wits, and a savage street fighting style; self-reliant.

[illegible] RG

CIRCE

FIRST APPEARANCE WONDER WOMAN (2nd series) #17 (June 1988)
STATUS Villain **REAL NAME** Circe
OCCUPATION Sorceress **BASE** Mobile
HEIGHT 5ft 11in **WEIGHT** 145 lbs **EYES** Red **HAIR** Purple
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES One of Earth's most powerful sorceresses. Circe is immortal; her hands project powerful bolts of energy and she can transform men into animals or animal hybrids called "bestiamorphs." She can also alter her appearance.

[illegible] being who made a pact with [illegible] Greek goddess of sorcery, in exchange her soul [illegible] power. Circe then perfected her talents [illegible] men into animals. Despising the peace [illegible] of the AMAZONS, Circe used her agent [illegible] to kill Antiope, the sister of QUEEN HIPPOLYTA. Thousands of years later Hippolyta's daughter Diana [illegible] WONDER WOMAN. Hidden away on the island [illegible] Circe tried to destroy Wonder Woman and her message of peace by turning her back into the primordial [illegible] which she had been originally molded. The evil [illegible] failed, but returned to spawn a creation-shattering [illegible] Gods, pitting the mightiest deities against each other. Eventually, Wonder Woman and the heroes of Earth [illegible] the war and put an end to Circe, seemingly forever.

BEASTMASTER [illegible]

[illegible] Wonder Woman [illegible] Wonder Woman's life [illegible] Circe joins [illegible] and then [illegible] had to take [illegible] play involved [illegible] Queen Hippolyta and the manipulation [illegible] war between the Amazons and Man's World. Spurring the Amazon armies to invade Washington DC, Circe met defeat and endured a sentence in Hell before returning to Earth. PJ

LYTA [illegible]

WONDER WOMAN'S NEMESIS [illegible] her magic.

CLAW THE UNCONQUERED

First appearance CLAW THE UNCONQUERED #1 (June 1975)
Status Hero **Real name** Valcan
Occupation Adventurer **Base** Pytharia
Height 6ft 5in **Weight** 274 lbs **Eyes** Blue **Hair** Black
Special powers/abilities Master swordsman; magical abilities emanate from demonically possessed claw on right arm.

[illegible] DW

CLAY, JOSHUA

First appearance SHOWCASE #94 (August–September 1977)
Status Hero (deceased) **Real name** Joshua Clay (alias Jonathan Carmichael)
Occupation Physician **Base** Happy Harbor, Rhode Island
Height 6ft 1in **Weight** 203 lbs **Eyes** Brown **Hair** Black
Special powers/abilities Could project powerful bolts of energy from his hands.

[illegible]

After the Doom Patrol [illegible]

CLAYFACE *See opposite page*

CLOCK KING

First appearance WORLD'S FINEST COMICS #111 (August 1960)
Status Villain (deceased) **Real name** William Tockman
Occupation Professional criminal **Base** Star City
Height 5ft 10in **Weight** 173 lbs **Eyes** Blue **Hair** Black
Special powers/abilities Sharp criminal mind inspired by a strange obsession with clocks.

[illegible] DW

CLOUD, JOHNNY

First appearance ALL-AMERICAN MEN OF WAR #82 (December 1960)
Status Hero (deceased) **Real name** Flying Cloud
Occupation Fighter pilot, U.S. Army Air Force
Base European Theater, World War II
Height 5ft 11in **Weight** 180 lbs **Eyes** Brown **Hair** Black
Special powers/abilities Expert aviator and above-average hand-to-hand combatant.

[illegible] DW

CLUEMASTER

First appearance DETECTIVE COMICS #351 (May 1966)
Status Villain **Real name** Arthur Brown
Occupation Criminal; former game show host **Base** Gotham City
Height 5ft 11in **Weight** 169 lbs **Eyes** Blue **Hair** Blond
Special powers/abilities Prides himself on his cunning, but tends to overestimate his cleverness. Pellets attached to his chest contain various weapons, including smoke bombs, flares, and tear gas.

[illegible] PJ

Cunning [illegible]

CLAYFACE I–IV

FIRST APPEARANCE (I) DETECTIVE COMICS #40 (June 1940)
STATUS Villain **REAL NAME** Basil Karlo
OCCUPATION Professional criminal **BASE** Mobile
HEIGHT 5ft 11in **WEIGHT** 178 lbs **EYES** Brown **HAIR** Black
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Originally a killer driven by revenge; now possesses shape-changing powers as the Ultimate Clayface.

FIRST APPEARANCE (II) DETECTIVE COMICS #298 (December 1961)
STATUS Villain **REAL NAME** Matt Hagen
OCCUPATION Professional criminal **BASE** Mobile
HEIGHT 5ft 10in **WEIGHT** 173 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** None
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Unique body chemistry enabled him to alter his body shape at will.

FIRST APPEARANCE (III) DETECTIVE COMICS #478 (July–August 1978)
STATUS Villain **REAL NAME** Preston Payne
OCCUPATION Professional criminal **BASE** Mobile
HEIGHT 6ft 8in **WEIGHT** 264 lbs **EYES** Red **HAIR** None
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Shape-changing abilities coupled with a more amorphous natural state (requiring him to wear a containment suit) and a killer touch that could melt others into protoplasm.

FIRST APPEARANCE (IV) (1st series) #21 (July 1987)
STATUS Villain **REAL NAME** Sondra Fuller
OCCUPATION Professional criminal **BASE** Mobile
HEIGHT 5ft 6in **WEIGHT** 130 lbs **EYES** Red **HAIR** None
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Similar capabilities to Clayface II, with the added ability to duplicate the powers of those she copied.

THE MUD PACK

THE MALLEABLE MENACE that is Clayface takes form as four distinct individuals over the years, all of them fierce opponents of the BATMAN. The presence of two new offshoot Clayfaces in recent months may indicate the shape of things to come for the Dark Knight's Rogues Gallery. Though Basil Karlo started off as a non-powered killer, the name "Clayface" now describes a shape-shifter with a body formed of an amorphous mud-like substance. Most Clayfaces can alter their bodies into almost any shape, including taking on the appearances of others.

MUD STICKS The Clayfaces [illegible] over the years, becoming more [illegible] with each incarnation. Basil Karlo's upgrade into the Ultimate Clayface gave him the morphing powers of Lady Clay and the [illegible] touch of Clayface III.

SUPER SCARY Clayface is a foe of both Batman and Robin and one of the [illegible] foes in the Dark Knight's Rogues Gallery.

MUD MASK OF TERROR

Hollywood actor Basil Karlo went off the deep end when he learned that Hollywood producers had undertaken a remake of his classic film *The Terror*. Donning a clay mask to reprise his old role as Clayface, Karlo murdered several actors before Batman brought him to justice.

Treasure hunter Matt Hagen became the second Clayface when exposure to a mysterious oil altered his body chemistry and allowed him to assume almost any form. He died during the Crisis (see Great Battles, pp. 362–3). His legacy lived on when Preston Payne, deformed by the crippling bone disease acromegaly, injected himself with Hagen's blood to develop his own shape-changing gifts and became Clayface III. Payne was a sad case, falling in love with a wax mannequin between stints in Arkham Asylum, Gotham City's maximum-security prison for the criminally insane, before finding true happiness with Clayface IV, also known as Lady Clay. Born Sondra Fuller, Lady Clay received her morphing talents from the terrorist Kobra.

Basil Karlo soon returned to the Clayface family for a partnership with Clayfaces III and IV under the group name the Mud Pack. Karlo then shot his veins full of the distilled essences of his successors, transforming himself into a being he called the Ultimate Clayface.

[illegible] have expanded the creeping reach of the Mud Pack. Preston Payne and Lady Clay have had a child named Cassius, whose power could dwarf those of his parents. During Gotham's earthquake, a tissue sample from Cassius's body [illegible] the researcher Dr. Malley, turning him into a creature called Claything. **DW**

MENACE OF CLAYFACE *Batman and Robin were confronted with a new kind of slippery foe when they first encountered the mud monster.*

KEY STORYLINES
- **DETECTIVE COMICS #604 (DECEMBER 1989):** All four Clayfaces join together as the Mud Pack to menace Batman.
- **BATMAN: SHADOW OF THE BAT #27 (MAY 1994):** Clayface III and Lady Clay reveal that they have a child, Cassius, proving that even clay creatures are capable of love.

COBALT BLUE

First appearance THE FLASH (2nd series) #143 (December 1998)
Status Villain (missing in action) **Real name** Malcolm Thawne
Occupation Professional criminal **Base** Mobile
Height 5ft 11in **Weight** 179 lbs **Eyes** Blue **Hair** Blond
Special powers/abilities The flame of Cobalt Blue's magical blue gem is capable of stealing the Flash's speed and can accomplish any magical feat its possessor imagines.

[illegible] SB

COMET

First appearance SUPERGIRL (4th series) #14 (October 1997)
Status Ally **Real name** Andrea Martinez
Occupation Earth angel, stand-up comedienne **Base** Leesburg, VA
Height Variable **Weight** Variable **Eyes** Variable **Hair** Variable
Special powers/abilities Flight, superior strength, speed, and agility.

[illegible] RG

COMMANDER STEELE

First appearance STEEL (1st series) #1 (March 1978)
Status Hero (deceased) **Real name** Henry (Hank) Heywood I
Occupation Crime fighter **Base** Mobile
Height 6ft **Weight** 378 lbs **Eyes** Blue **Hair** Blond
Special powers/abilities Nearly indestructible due to steel construction and bioretardant skin; possesses enhanced strength and speed.

[illegible] DW

C.O.M.P.U.T.O.

First appearance (historical) ADVENTURE COMICS #320 (January 1966); (current) LEGION OF SUPER-HEROES (4th series) #13 (November 1997)
Status Villain **Real name** Cyber-cerebral Overlapping Multi-processor Transceiver-Operator
Occupation Former conqueror **Base** 30th-century Earth
Height Variable **Weight** Variable **Eyes** Variable **Hair** None
Special powers/abilities Vast artificial intelligence, control over machine life, teleportation abilities, conversion into energy forms.

[illegible] PJ

CONGLOMERATE, THE

First appearance JUSTICE LEAGUE QUARTERLY #1
Notable members and powers
Booster Gold (Michael Carter) Armor and powers created by stolen technology from the future.
Echo (Terri Eckhart) Able to repel any attack upon her with corresponding force.
Gypsy (Cindy Reynolds) Projects illusions and conceals herself with chameleonlike camouflage.
Jesse Quick (Jesse Chambers) Superspeed and flight.
Hardline (Armando Ramone, formerly "Reverb") Projects sonic shockwaves.
Maxi-Man (Henry Hayes) Superstrength, speed, and endurance.
Nuklon (Albert Rothstein) Superstrength, able to control his body's mass and density.
Praxis (Jason Praxis) Master of electricity, including the bioelectric charges within people's brains.
Templar (Colin Brandywine) Telekinetically enabled superstrength and protective force fields.
Vapor (Carrie Donahue) Able to alter molecular structure into gaseous form.

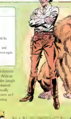
[illegible] SB

THE ORIGINAL CONGLOMERATE 1) Booster Gold 2) [illegible] 3) [illegible] 4) [illegible] 5) [illegible] 6) [illegible] 7) [illegible]

CONGORILLA

FIRST APPEARANCE [Bill] ACTION COMICS #1 (June 1938) [Congorilla] Action Comics #248 (January 1959)
STATUS Unresolved **REAL NAME** Congo Bill
OCCUPATION Big game hunter **BASE** Africa
HEIGHT [Bill] 6ft 1in; [Congorilla] 6ft 8in **WEIGHT** [Bill] 188 lbs [Congorilla] 707 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Black
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Bill is an expert tracker, marksman and explorer; transformed into Congorilla, he is the strongest, most agile simian on earth.

Explorer and traveler Congo Bill became world-famous as one of the top big-game hunters. On one of his African expeditions, Congo Bill discovered a lost boy in the jungle who became known as Janu. Identified as the orphaned son of the late Robert Murchison, Janu was eventually adopted by Congo Bill. He raised the boy as his own and they learned much from each other while continuing their adventures.



CONGO COMBAT In Golden Gorilla mode Bill and pal [illegible] to keep people safe.

W[illegible] Bill [illegible] the Golden Gorilla [illegible] Africa [illegible] Bill [illegible] Dubbed [illegible] of the African jungles. Years la[illegible] Bill [illegible] Janu as the young ma[illegible] Congo Bill then [illegible] into [illegible] the jungle [illegible] Bill [illegible] were [illegible] ward, [illegible] Janu left behind [illegible] body [illegible] Bill [illegible] within it [illegible] Africa [illegible] His body [illegible] the interior [illegible] Bill [illegible] Congorilla the beast plunged from a building [illegible] mind of the golden gorilla survived in the body of Janu. RG

CONTESSA, THE

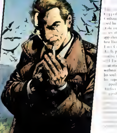
FIRST APPEARANCE SUPERMAN: THE MAN OF TOMORROW #1 (Summer 1995)
STATUS Villain (missing) **REAL NAME** Erica Alexandra del Portenza
OCCUPATION International financier **BASE** Mobile
HEIGHT 5ft 10in **WEIGHT** 135 lbs **EYES** Brown **HAIR** Brown
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Extremely long lifespan and magical powers; full details still unrevealed.

[illegible] Lex Luthor [illegible] Lena [illegible] his daughter, the Contessa [illegible] enigmatic figure. She [illegible] possess long life [illegible] and may have been born [illegible] years ago. She is head of the [illegible] group the Agenda [illegible] from many powerful [illegible] including R[illegible] W[illegible]

During a period when Luthor abdicated his [illegible] LexCorp, the Contessa purchased a controlling interest and ran the corporation. Luthor regained control [illegible] by marrying her. She soon gave birth to a daughter, Lena, and Luthor kept his wife drugged to keep her hidden. She escaped and kidnapped Lena. The baby was returned, but Luthor never forgot. Just before he became U.S. President, he arranged for a missile strike on the Contessa's stronghold. However, her body was never found. DW

CONSTANTINE, JOHN

FIRST APPEARANCE SWAMP THING (2nd series) #37 (June 1985)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** John Constantine
OCCUPATION World-saver **BASE** London
HEIGHT 6ft 0in **WEIGHT** 158 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Blond
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Extremely knowledgeable regarding the supernatural; has access to mystical talismans and strong connections in the magical community.



Cynical and disillusioned, John Constantine is a streetwise magician known for his chain-smoking and unimpressed [illegible] After a traumatic childhood and a stint with a touring punk rock band, Constantine performed his first magical intervention by summoning a demon to help a terrified girl. The experiment [illegible] led to disaster when the fiend dragged the girl to Hell. Shell-shocked, Constantine spent time in a mental institution before embarking on a career in a paranormal investigator and exorcist.

Constantine has crossed paths with most supernatural beings, including the Phantom Stranger, SWAMP THING, and the SANDMAN. [illegible] tricking the Lords of Hell into warring [illegible] for his immortal soul. He also [illegible] [illegible] friend in Swamp Thing [illegible] his greatest [illegible] DW

COPPERHEAD

FIRST APPEARANCE THE BRAVE AND THE BOLD #78 (June 1968)
STATUS Villain (deceased) **REAL NAME** Unknown
OCCUPATION Assassin **BASE** Mobile
HEIGHT 6ft 2in **WEIGHT** 190 lbs **EYES** Green **HAIR** None
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Able to contort his body to squeeze through narrow openings; super-strong; serpentine tail is prehensile and can coil around objects or opponents; secretes deadly venom, poisoning victims with just a touch.

[illegible] known [illegible] Copperhead first appeared in Gotham City, where he used his bulletproof, slippery snake costume to commit a series of thefts before being apprehended by BATMAN and the first Batgirl, Barbara Gordon. Later Copperhead turned to [illegible] deadly pursuits as a super-assassin [illegible] victims to a swift [illegible] with his snake-like tail. Al[illegible] [illegible] Copperhead [illegible] without his artificial snakeskin [illegible] his soul to the demon Ne[illegible] his superpowers. Neron [illegible] [illegible] Copperhead [illegible] [illegible] Copperhead [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] be killed by [illegible] SB

COUNT VERTIGO

FIRST APPEARANCE WORLD'S FINEST COMICS #251 (July 1978)
STATUS Villain **REAL NAME** Count Werner Vertigo
OCCUPATION Professional criminal **BASE** Mobile
HEIGHT 5ft 11in **WEIGHT** 189 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Blond
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Flight; can affect the balance of others to induce dizziness and vertigo.

[illegible]

[illegible]

CREATURE COMMANDOS

FIRST APPEARANCE WEIRD WAR TALES #93 (November 1980)
STATUS Hero team **BASE** Mobile
MEMBERS AND POWERS
Lt. Matthew Shrieve (disbanded) World War II team leader.
Medusa Hair of living snakes.
Sgt. Vincent Velcro Blood-sucking vampire.
Taylor Superstrong Frankenstein's monster.
Warren Griffith Werewolf.
Captain Hunter Modern-day team leader; slowed aging.
Aten Mummy.
Bogman Human-amphibian hybrid.
Gunner Zombie.

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KEY 1) [illegible] **2)** [illegible] **3)** [illegible] **4)** [illegible] **5)** [illegible] **6)** [illegible]

COSMIC BOY

FIRST APPEARANCE ADVENTURE COMICS #247 (April 1958)
Legion of Super-Heroes (4th series) #0 (October 1994)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Rokk Krinn
OCCUPATION Legionnaire **BASE** Earth
HEIGHT 5ft 7in **WEIGHT** 155 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Black
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Natural magnetic abilities, like all Braalians.

[illegible]

MAGNETIC PERSONALITY [illegible] natural talents as effective and inventive ways, [illegible]

CREEPER, THE

FIRST APPEARANCE SHOWCASE #73 (March 1968)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Jack Ryder
OCCUPATION Investigative reporter/adventurer **BASE** Boston
HEIGHT 6ft **WEIGHT** 194 lbs **EYES** Blue (black as Creeper)
HAIR Black (green as Creeper)
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Extraordinary strength, stamina, and recuperative powers; an unusually fierce fighter

[illegible] the [illegible]

[illegible] creeping. [illegible]

CREEP Ryder's [illegible] the Creeper [illegible] more than [illegible] [illegible]

CRIME SYNDICATE

FIRST APPEARANCE JUSTICE LEAGUE OF AMERICA #29 (August 1964)
STATUS Villain group **BASE** The planet Qward
MEMBERS AND POWERS
Ultraman (team leader) Human astronaut rescued by aliens and given superstrength, flight, invulnerability, enhanced vision and hearing
Johnny Quick II Addicted to drugs that give him superspeed
Power Ring Possesses cursed ring that channels thoughts into physical form
Superwoman Mortal with superstrength and invulnerability
Owlman Superb hand-to-hand combatant, master strategist

EARLY STING [illegible]

THE CRIME SYNDICATE 1) [illegible] **2)** [illegible] **3)** [illegible] **4)** [illegible] **5)** [illegible]

[illegible] universe of [illegible] Power [illegible] Superman [illegible]

The JLA [illegible] manipulate [illegible] However, the Crime Syndicate [illegible] Ultraman [illegible] Superwoman [illegible] ULTIMAS [illegible] RG

OPPOSITION [illegible] did not take [illegible] other words

COMPLICATIONS [illegible]

[illegible] but for Superman

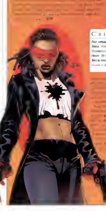
CRIMSON AVENGER

FIRST APPEARANCE DETECTIVE COMICS #20 (October 1938)
STATUS Hero (deceased) **REAL NAME** Lee Travis
OCCUPATION Adventurer **BASE** New York City
HEIGHT 6ft **WEIGHT** 189 lbs **EYES** Brown **HAIR** Brown
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Expert combatant who carried a gas gun.

[illegible] DW

CRIMSON AVENGER II

FIRST APPEARANCE Stars & S.T.R.I.P.E. #9 (April 2000)
STATUS Villain **REAL NAME** Unknown
OCCUPATION Agent of vengeance; executioner **BASE** Mobile
HEIGHT 5ft 8in **WEIGHT** 126 lbs **EYES** Brown **HAIR** Black
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Wields two pistols that never need reloading; bullet wound in chest symbolizes the violent deaths she is fated to avenge.



[illegible] DW

Cursed [illegible]

CRIMSON FOX

FIRST APPEARANCE JUSTICE LEAGUE EUROPE #6 (September 1989)
STATUS Heroes **REAL NAMES** Vivian and Constance D'Aramis
OCCUPATION Publishers; adventurers **BASE** Paris, France
HEIGHT (both) 5ft 10in **WEIGHT** (Vivian) 142 lbs; (Constance) 147 lbs **EYES** Gray **HAIR** Red
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Martial arts, claws, costume tail used as a whip, pheromone triggers.

Vivian and Constance D'Aramis were the twin daughters of a research scientist for a multinational corporation. When they learned their mother had died of cancer caused by experiments the CEO of the corporation [illegible] would have personal [illegible] vowed revenge on the [illegible] and ruined his business [illegible] the Rilson Corporation. Creating a special [illegible] one to [illegible] the business and the [illegible] the sisters became Le Renard [illegible].

As Crimson Fox the D'Aramis [illegible] joined the Justice League of America [illegible] [illegible] quickly [illegible] tragically Vivian [illegible] PJ

CRONUS

FIRST APPEARANCE THE NEW TITANS #51 (Winter 1988)
STATUS Villain **REAL NAME** None
OCCUPATION Titan **BASE** The Universe
HEIGHT 15ft **WEIGHT** 560 lbs **EYES** Red **HAIR** White
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Supernatural being of staggering strength and nigh omnipotent power; carries a sickle capable of slaying gods.

Son of Gaea the Earth and Uranus the Sky, Cronus slayed his father to become lord of all creation. However, after siring the OLYMPIAN GODS and goddesses, Cronus was himself murdered by his three sons, Zeus, Poseidon, and Hades. The Olympians then divided the heavens, sea, and underworld between themselves. Millennia later, Cronus was magically brought back to life. He unleashed his terrible children—Arch, Disdain, Harrier, Oblivion, Slaughter, and Titan—upon the unsuspecting Earth. Hoping to rule the universe once more, Cronus set the Olympian and Hindu pantheons against one another in an epic war of the gods. However, WONDER WOMAN shattered Cronus's sickle, source of his power, and sent the Titan hurtling back into the arms of his mother. SB

CYBORG

FIRST APPEARANCE DC COMICS PRESENTS #26 (October 1980)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Victor Stone
OCCUPATION Adventurer **BASE** San Francisco
HEIGHT 6ft 6in **WEIGHT** 385 lbs
EYES Brown **HAIR** Brown
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Enhanced vision, strength, and endurance, as well as the ability to interface with any computer system.

ADRIFT [illegible]

Although Victor Stone's scientist parents [illegible]couraged Victor to pursue academic [illegible] [illegible] and athletic activity far more to his [illegible]. During an experiment, Victor's mother [illegible]tally unleashed a creature from another [illegible] that killed her instantly. If not for [illegible] father Silas's interference Victor would [illegible] as well. Silas rushed the injured [illegible] and desperately grafted cybernetic [illegible] organs and computerized [illegible] to his spine. Once Victor [illegible] stable, his father replaced his limbs and [illegible] his face with experimental molybdenum steel. Victor was outraged by his new body and [illegible]. However, when he crossed paths with the [illegible] he quickly found acceptance with them. [illegible] by the alien computer intelligence [illegible] his being restored. After learning that he [illegible] world Vic agreed to be assimilated into [illegible] calling itself Cyberion, later captured every hero ever affiliated with the Titans.

CYBERSION [illegible]

CYBERWEAPON [illegible]

[illegible] and the Titans eventually brought Vic [illegible]. He freed the heroes and once more [illegible] the identity of Cyborg. Victor endured [illegible] physical changes until an encounter with the [illegible] villain resulted in him once [illegible] form. After spending a year in a coma following the Infinite Crisis, Cyborg has made efforts to start an all-new Titans East team's teenage super heroes at Titans Tower in San Francisco. **RG**

CYBORG SUPERMAN

FIRST APPEARANCE ADVENTURES OF SUPERMAN #466 (May 1990)
STATUS Villain **REAL NAME** Hank Henshaw
OCCUPATION Mass murderer **BASE** Terran solar system
HEIGHT Variable **WEIGHT** Variable **EYES** Variable **HAIR** Variable
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Can control electronics and create new bodies for himself out of machinery; possesses invulnerability due to his Kryptonian organic material and alloys; seemingly impossible to kill.

[illegible]

MALE [illegible]

MAN-MACHINE [illegible]

AMAZING WEAPONS

SOME SUPER HEROES AND VILLAINS such as Superman or Darkseid are in effect living weapons, their powers making them walking arsenals. But others less naturally gifted have developed incredible devices to help level the playing field between mere mortals and meta-humans. Some of these tools are marvels of alien technology, while others display the stubborn ingenuity of human inventors.

Ceremony [illegible]

Green Lantern's Power Ring

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Crazy Creations

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The Fiddler

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Green Arrow's Trick Arrows

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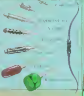

Starman's Cosmic Rod

[illegible] one of his many great [illegible] the cosmic rod was created [illegible] the [illegible] to project force fields and stellar energy.

IMPERIEX'S ENTROPY AEGIS

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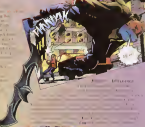

BATARANGS

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SHOWDOWN

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BAT GEAR

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WONDER

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DAANUTH, GARN

FIRST APPEARANCE WARLORD #59 (July 1982)
STATUS Villain (deceased) **REAL NAME** None
OCCUPATION Sorcerer **BASE** Mobile
HEIGHT 6ft 2in **WEIGHT** 195 lbs **EYES** White **HAIR** White
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Possessed nearly unlimited magical power in his prime; could fly, hurl bolts of mystical energy, engage in astral projection, and control the minds of others.

S[illegible] Atlantean magician [illegible] Garn Daanuth was a master of dark magicks whose skin was drained of color when he tried to help his [illegible] destroy Atlantis. [illegible] Thwarted by his brother Arion, Lord of Atlantis, Garn blamed him for Majistra's demise, sparking a family feud lasting for over 100,000 years of magical clashes between the siblings. Garn emerged from suspended animation within [illegible] modern times but apparently [illegible] Arion stopped [illegible] Atlantis. His evil [illegible] in the [illegible] suffused with Garn's magical power. SB

DAMAGE

FIRST APPEARANCE DAMAGE #1 (April 1994)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Grant Emerson
OCCUPATION Adventurer **BASE** New York City
HEIGHT Variable **WEIGHT** Variable **EYES** Brown **HAIR** Brown
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES A living fusion reactor, Damage has increased strength, durability, speed, and reflexes. His powers grow in proportion to the energy built up internally. After each energy release he needs to rebuild his internal power before using it again.

A [illegible] brought [illegible] after World War II [illegible] longer [illegible] behind the lack of results [illegible] his floundering being cut off, Vandal Savage provided him [illegible] child [illegible] called Starbolts [illegible] of the Golden [illegible] each born from and a test [illegible] carried by Mary Pratt [illegible] of the [illegible] The child containing this souped-up [illegible] birth and Mary was killed [illegible] Grant Emerson was given the [illegible] own. Savage [illegible] from the Justice League of America and [illegible] year-old Grant a DNA transform.

When Grant turned [illegible] his powers developed—scarring the teen in the process. [illegible] then came to kill [illegible] their experiment. [illegible] Emerson, but Grant escaped. Calling himself [illegible] he learned how to use his powers as a member of the New Titans. Damage suffered severe facial scarring at the hands of Zoom and now wears a full mask. He currently serves with the Justice Society of America. RG

DARHK, DAMIEN

FIRST APPEARANCE THE TITANS #1 (March 1999)
STATUS Villain (deceased) **REAL NAME** Unrevealed
OCCUPATION Gangster **BASE** Mobile
HEIGHT 6ft **WEIGHT** 160 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Brown
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Appeared to have no meta-human powers but was highly intelligent, ruthless, calculating, and ambitious.

Baby-faced Damien Darhk was a mysterious [illegible] figure [illegible] players in A[illegible] certainly [illegible] the criminal organization H.I.V.E. He also seemed to have had access to unique high-tech [illegible] that has never been traced by any known organization. Darhk was considered to be a major criminal by the CIA and FBI; however their investigations revealed no hard evidence against him. He was [illegible] (wireless fidelity) trend, staying in touch with associates by the very latest forms of communication. What particularly baffled investigators was his apparent youth. Darhk seemed to be in his mid-twenties yet was already well established and well connected. While opposing [illegible] of the Teen Titans, Darhk was shot [illegible] Vandal Savage. RG

DARK LORD, THE

FIRST APPEARANCE JSA SECRET FILES #1 (June 1999)
STATUS Villain **REAL NAME** Mordru
OCCUPATION Sorcerer **BASE** Mobile
HEIGHT 7ft 1in **WEIGHT** 318 lbs **EYES** None **HAIR** Auburn
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES His powers are immeasurable and he seems capable of anything he can imagine, including flight, teleportation, shapechanging, energy casting, and immortality.

Some say the Dark Lord Mordru is eternal and was never born and will never [illegible]. His known appearances [illegible] span thousands of years. In the late 20th century he murdered agents of Order and Chaos, including Kent Nelson (Doctor Fate) in an attempt to [illegible] the powers of Doctor Fate. The Justice Society of America put [illegible] his plan but Mordru [illegible] returned [illegible] and [illegible] the world into [illegible]. In the late 30th [illegible] Mordru became a [illegible] Legion of Super-Heroes. [illegible] Shrinking Violet presented herself to Mordru as a mate. Her betrayal of Mordru led to temporary defeat of the [illegible] sorcerer. DW

DARK NEMESIS

FIRST APPEARANCE TEEN TITANS (2nd series) #7 (April 1997)
STATUS Villain team **BASE** Metropolis
MEMBERS AND POWERS
AXE The team leader has various psychic powers.
BLIZZARD Can project freezing blasts.
CAROM Possesses superhuman speed.
SCORCHER 1 (DECEASED) Could project heat and flames.
SCORCHER 2 Can project heat and flames.
VAULT Can create individual prisons that confine another's powers.

Dark Nemesis is a group of mercenary villains who will sell their services to the highest bidder. The members of Dark Nemesis were hired by an organization of wealthy industrialists and businessmen called the Veil to test the powers of the second TEEN TITANS, a group of human-alien hybrids. The Veil hoped to end all alien influence on Earth, promoting a "humans only" agenda.

After their first encounter with the Teen Titans, Axe learned that one of Dark Nemesis' members, Scorcher, was also a human-alien hybrid. Axe killed Scorcher and framed Risk, a Titan, for the murder. The Titans were blackballed by the media and discredited to the public. But after the truth was revealed and Risk was cleared, the villainous Dark Nemesis was defeated. [illegible] Dark Nemesis recruited a second Scorcher to replace the first and they were humiliated in battle when they fought the young Titans once more. PJ

DARK OPAL

FIRST APPEARANCE LEGION OF SUPER-HEROES (2nd series) #298 (April 1983)
STATUS Villain **REAL NAME** None
OCCUPATION Lord of Chaos **BASE** Gemworld
HEIGHT 6ft 4in **WEIGHT** 235 lbs **EYES** Red **HAIR** Black
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Immensely strong, a master of [illegible] expert swordsman and deadly combatant.

By making pacts with otherworldly forces, bargaining with alien races and mastering mystical might, Dark Opal managed to become ruler of Gemworld. However, Dark Opal failed to kill the infant heir of the House of Amethyst, who was hidden on Earth. After 20 years Amy Winston (the AMETHYST, PRINCESS OF GEMWORLD) returned to Gemworld and deposed him. Dark Opal was presumed killed. In truth Dark Opal had retreated into the magical clasp of his cloak. Dark Opal returned to retake Gemworld but was apparently destroyed by Child, a Lord of Chaos, and his servant Flaw. SB

DARKSEID

LORD OF APOKOLIPS

FIRST APPEARANCE SUPERMAN'S PAL, JIMMY OLSEN #134 (December 1970)
STATUS Villain **REAL NAME** Uxas
OCCUPATION Tyrant/world conqueror **BASE** Apokolips
HEIGHT 8ft 9in **WEIGHT** 1,815 lbs **EYES** Red **HAIR** None
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Utterly ruthless, unforgiving planetary overlord who rules underlings by fear; immensely strong and apparently invulnerable; eyes project Omega Beams, powerful rays that can create, annihilate, or transport beings.

Darkseid is the gravest threat to life in the DC Universe, representing all that is vile and corrupt. In the wake of the old gods dying, a race of NEW GODS were born, split between two planets, bright New Genesis and smoldering Apokolips, who were continually at war with each other. On Apokolips, Queen Heggra and her own son Uxas plotted and schemed against each other, one determined to retain power, the other seeking it. Uxas's drive for control resulted in his brother Drax's death. Uxas then evolved into the creature known as Darkseid.

APOKOLIPS *Born out of the cataclysm that claimed the old gods, a perpetually burning world*

RUTHLESS *Darkseid respects no-one and any person or god is but a means to his own ends.*

THE WARBRINGER

Against Heggra's wishes, Darkseid secretly married the sorceress Suli, and they had a son named KALIBAK. Suli was murdered, at Heggra's command by the torturer DESAAD and Heggra then ordered her son to marry TIGRA, with whom he had a son, ORION.

To settle the war between New Genesis and Apokolips, a peace treaty was signed known to "The Pact," wherein the ruling gods of Apokolips and New Genesis give one another their sons to be raised by the other. The New Genesis ruler HIGHFATHER raised Orion as his own, Darkseid had Scott Free (MISTER MIRACLE) raised by GRANNY GOODNESS at her brutal orphanage.

Metron's philosophy led Darkseid to conceptualize the "Anti-Life Equation" as the object of his quest for power, and agents of Apokolips attacked Mars. Later, Darkseid turned his sights on Earth. Despite frequent setbacks, Darkseid continued his conquest of the universe, although he was frequently being opposed by his own son, Orion. Darkseid failed to recruit SUPERGIRL into his FEMALE FURIES, and suffered the wrath of Superman who imprisoned him in the Source Wall for a time. The experience temporarily drained Darkseid of his Omega Effect, but despite the return of his abilities he remained unable to prevent the death of the New Gods and the end of the Fourth World. RG

EVIL PLANS *During the Imperiex War, Darkseid manipulated events to gain any advantage possible*

OMEGA BEAMS *The Omega Effect has no known limitations and can dissolve any organic being.*

KEY STORYLINES

- ***JACK KIRBY'S NEW GODS* (1997):** The initial storyline introducing Darkseid and his quest for the "Anti-Life Equation," plus a glimpse into the horror that is Apokolips.
- ***LEGENDS* (1987):** Darkseid attempts to besmirch the reputation of Earth's defenders, bringing down the heroes to make Earth an easier planet to pillage.
- ***COSMIC ODYSSEY* (2003):** Darkseid thinks he has found the "Anti-Life Equation," and will destroy entire planets to obtain it. However, he finds himself opposed by Highfather's handpicked champions—Superman, Orion, Batman, Green Lantern, and Bug.

DEADMAN

FIRST APPEARANCE STRANGE ADVENTURES #205 (September 1967)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Boston Brand
OCCUPATION Acrobat **BASE** Mobile
HEIGHT 6ft **WEIGHT** 201 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Black
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Possesses human bodies for a limited period of time; converses with spirits; creates realms of reality with ease

WANDERING SPIRIT

[illegible] **BOSTON BRAND** the [illegible] [illegible] Hill [illegible] [illegible] world by Rama K[illegible] [illegible] Brand became the ghoulish spirit [illegible] knowing only that [illegible] When Deadman learned that [illegible] the international [illegible] [illegible] Hook who had fired [illegible] [illegible] Brand [illegible] to interact in [illegible] distinctive style.

HIGH RISE [illegible]

HOW IT WORKS [illegible]

SENTINEL OF MAGIC

[illegible] finally tracked down [illegible] hands of the S[illegible] [illegible] With the aid of [illegible] Deadman then [illegible] the [illegible] the [illegible] League [illegible] Swamp [illegible] by [illegible] heroes [illegible] combat [illegible] Heaven [illegible] of the [illegible] with [illegible] Raven [illegible] [illegible] RG

DEEP FEELINGS [illegible]

SPIRIT GUIDE [illegible]

KEY STORYLINES

- ***STRANGE ADVENTURES* #205–216 (SEPTEMBER 1967–FEBRUARY 1969)**: The [illegible] of Boston Brand's death and hunt for the Hook. Brand's tragic life and those left behind are introduced with stunning stories and art.
- ***DEADMAN* MINI-SERIES (1986)**: The destruction of Nanda Parbat and the discovery of Rama Kushna's first champion, Joshua. Deadman's relationship with Kushna is re-examined.

DARKSTARS

FIRST APPEARANCE DARKSTARS #1 (October 1992)
STATUS Hero team **BASE** Intergalactic space
NOTABLE MEMBERS
FERRIN COLOS, CHASER BRON, MANCHURIX, CELEPH, MERYPHIL, JOHN FLINT (DISBANDED), DONNA TROY (RETIRED), JOHN STEWART (RETIRED), HOLLIKA BAHN (DECEASED), MO DOUGLAS (DECEASED), CHARLIE WIGHT (DECEASED), GARRIS ZED (DECEASED), K'RYSSMA (DECEASED), TRELLUM (DECEASED)
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES All Darkstars wear an exomantle battle suit which gives them superstrength, speed, and flight. They are also armed with force-field projectors and motor blasters.

The Controllers, an offshoot [illegible] of the Guardians [illegible] the Universe [illegible] Net [illegible] Network [illegible] Earth [illegible] Manchurix [illegible] the Darkstars [illegible] and [illegible] after [illegible] Zed [illegible] became a Darkstar and was assigned [illegible].

After the [illegible] ECTION [illegible] the Green Lantern Corps [illegible] universe [illegible] the [illegible] a [illegible] during [illegible] Which [illegible] Green Lantern [illegible] by Hal Jordan the Darkstars [illegible] part [illegible] Green Lanterns John Stewart and New Titan [illegible] Darkstars [illegible] was killed by Darkseid [illegible] leaving [illegible] Chaser Bron Manchurix [illegible] until the Controllers [illegible]. **PJ**

DEADMAN **SEE OPPOSITE PAGE**

DEADSHOT

FIRST APPEARANCE BATMAN #59 (July 1950)
STATUS Villain **REAL NAME** Floyd Lawton
OCCUPATION Mercenary **BASE** Gotham City
HEIGHT 6ft 1in **WEIGHT** 193 lbs. **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Blond
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Expert with all firearms and projectile weapons; guns and targeting scope integrated into costume.

A gunfighter [illegible] Floyd Lawton [illegible] Mother [illegible] his father [illegible] When Floyd [illegible] the violence [illegible] the struggle [illegible] life [illegible] Belle Reve prison [illegible] with the U.S. [illegible] SUICIDE SQUAD [illegible] for performing [illegible] amnesty for [illegible] Deadshot [illegible] the Suicide Squad but [illegible] Deadshot later [illegible] kidnapping [illegible] daughter [illegible] with the Secret Six as well [illegible] Suicide Squad [illegible] commander Amanda Waller (see WALLER, AMANDA) [illegible] red him and stranded him on the prison planet [illegible] Operation Salvation Run. **DW**

DEATH

FIRST APPEARANCE SANDMAN (2nd series) #8 (October 1989)
STATUS Inapplicable **REAL NAME** Death
OCCUPATION Conceptual entity **BASE** Earth
HEIGHT Variable **WEIGHT** Variable **EYES** Variable **HAIR** Variable
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Vastly powerful cosmic entity responsible for taking each being to its afterlife when it dies.

Death is one of the seven Endless [illegible] throughout [illegible] creation [illegible] given physical [illegible] Death has been present [illegible] the beginning of the universe [illegible] after her [illegible] sibling Destiny.

[illegible] Death [illegible] to live one day in every [illegible] as a mortal to better [illegible] to the beings she escorts [illegible] the realms beyond. Closest to her younger brother Dream, Death will continue to manifest herself across the cosmos until the last living thing dies, when she declares "I'll turn out the lights and lock the universe behind me when I leave."

Unlike the rest of the Endless, who have [illegible] astral realms, Death lives in a small house on Earth. She most often appears as a teenage girl with white skin and black hair. Her sacred sigil is the ankh. **PJ**

DEATHSTROKE THE TERMINATOR

FIRST APPEARANCE THE NEW TEEN TITANS (1st series) #2 (December 1980)
STATUS Villain **REAL NAME** Slade Wilson
OCCUPATION Mercenary/assassin **BASE** Mobile
HEIGHT 6ft 4in **WEIGHT** 225 lbs. **EYES** Blue **HAIR** White
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Utilizes 90 percent of brain capacity; possesses heightened reflexes and augmented physical attributes; an expert hunter and tracker, employing an arsenal of both simple and sophisticated weapons to make kills.

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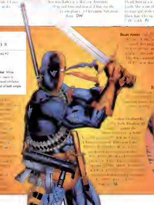


BRAIN POWER [illegible] first [illegible] with 90 percent [illegible] than [illegible]

TITAN ENEMY [illegible]

[illegible] within Deathstroke's [illegible] body Deathstroke [illegible] the [illegible] Deathstroke [illegible] **SB**

DEMOLITION TEAM

FIRST APPEARANCE GREEN LANTERN (2nd series) #176 (May 1984)
STATUS Mercenaries **BASE** Mobile
CURRENT MEMBERS AND POWERS
Rosie (team leader) Tough talking former New Orleans bar owner whose customized gun fires red hot rivets
Scoopshovel Jai Alai player from San Diego whose hydraulic power arm can uproot almost anything
Jackhammer Oil wildcatter from Houston whose weapon is a devastating jackhammer
Steamroller Chicago stunt cyclist who rides a compact vehicle capable of flattening entire buildings
Hardhat Punch-drunk New York boxer whose power packed helmet and harness turn him into a living juggernaut
The team has no recorded base of operations.

[illegible] RG

THE DEMOLITION TEAM 1) [illegible] 2) [illegible]
3) [illegible] 4) [illegible] 5) [illegible]

DEMON, THE

See opposite page

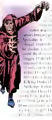
DEMONS THREE

FIRST APPEARANCE JUSTICE LEAGUE OF AMERICA #10 (March 1962)
STATUS Villains **REAL NAMES** Abnegazar, Rath, and Ghast
OCCUPATION Demons from Hell **BASE** The Inferno
HEIGHT Various **WEIGHT** Various **EYES** Black
HAIR (Ghast) Black (Abnegazar and Rath) none
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Supernatural powers include the ability to travel through time and space, give life to inanimate objects, and fire magical bolts of energy

[illegible] EW

DESAAD

FIRST APPEARANCE THE FOREVER PEOPLE (1st series) #2 (April 1971)
STATUS Villain **REAL NAME** None
OCCUPATION Torturer **BASE** Apokolips
HEIGHT 5ft 1in **WEIGHT** 152 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Black
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Brilliant inventor of pain-inducing devices and weapons of war



[illegible] SB

DESPERO

FIRST APPEARANCE JUSTICE LEAGUE OF AMERICA #1 (October 1960)
STATUS Villain (missing) **REAL NAME** Despero
OCCUPATION Would-be universe conqueror **BASE** Mobile
HEIGHT 6ft 5in **WEIGHT** 289 lbs **EYES** Violet **HAIR** None
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES A third eye with incredible hypnotic power; tremendous strength and durability

MIRROR [illegible]

Despero, from the planet Kalanor, realized he would never conquer the universe without eliminating Earth's champions, the JUSTICE LEAGUE OF AMERICA. They clashed on several occasions and Despero was imprisoned. He escaped back to Kalanor and entered the Flame of Py'tar, emerging bulkier and more dangerous than ever.

Despero announced his return to Earth by attacking the JLA's satellite headquarters. After yet another defeat by the JLA, Despero sought revenge against Gypsy's family. Following defeat by the MARTIAN MANHUNTER, Despero was taken over by Gloss and became even more violent, destroying much of Manhattan. Later SUPERMAN helped remove Despero's personality from Gloss's body and sent it to the Abyssal Plane. There Despero met the villain Johnny Sorrow (see SORROW, JOHNNY) and the two planned their revenge. The villains used technology belonging to Apokolips's DOCTOR BEDLAM to return to Earth and battled the JLA and the JUSTICE SOCIETY OF AMERICA. Despero has led the SECRET SOCIETY OF SUPER-VILLAINS against the Justice League, and teamed with PER DEGATON and the ULTRA-HUMANITE to [illegible] time. RG

STRENGTH The Flame of Py'tar evolved [illegible]

DEMON, THE

THE RHYMING DEVIL

FIRST APPEARANCE DEMON (1st series) #1 (September 1972)
STATUS Villain **REAL NAME** Etrigan
OCCUPATION Rhyming demon **BASE** Hell
HEIGHT 6ft 4in **WEIGHT** 352 lbs **EYES** Red **HAIR** None
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Adept at magic; however, has little patience for spell casting, preferring to simply blast his foes to cinders with his fiery breath; has attained the rank of Rhymer in Hell, which explains why he always talks in rhyming couplets!

THE DEMON ETRIGAN entered Hell, clawing his way out of the womb of his mother, a demoness. Son of the unholy BELIAL, Etrigan quickly rose through the ranks of demonhood, and even the elder demons began to fear him. Belial arranged for his son Myrddin, who would become known as Merlin the Magician, to be trained in the arts of sorcery so that Merlin might one day bind and control Etrigan, his half-brother. Merlin unleashed Etrigan to battle the forces of MORGAINE LE FEY, intent on usurping King Arthur's court at Camelot. After Le Fey's defeat and Camelot's fall, Merlin bound Etrigan to the druid Jason, who became Jason Blood.

JASON BLOOD [illegible]

SUPERMAN [illegible]

THE DEMON WITHIN

Blood traveled [illegible] the [illegible] Nazi [illegible] called [illegible] forces such as [illegible] such as the [illegible] of the [illegible]

All the while [illegible] Blood [illegible] Hell [illegible] However [illegible] Hell, Etrigan [illegible] Merlin [illegible] by Morgaine [illegible] Merlin [illegible] Rhymer [illegible]

Recently [illegible] of the [illegible] Hell [illegible] attempt the Demon [illegible] the Oblivion Bar. RG

DEMON IN JAPAN [illegible] in Hell [illegible] nothing impede that [illegible]

KEY STORYLINES

- **THE DEMON #1-16 (1972-73):** Jack Kirby's introductory story, setting up the conflict between Etrigan and Jason Blood. Jason's friends Glenda and Harry are also introduced.
- **THE DEMON MINI-SERIES (NOVEMBER 1986-FEBRUARY 1987):** Matt Wagner's updated look at the Demon, his place on Earth, and his role in Hell. The series also looks at his relationship with Jason Blood.

DESTINY

FIRST APPEARANCE WEIRD MYSTERY TALES #1 (July 1972)
STATUS Unknown **REAL NAME** None
OCCUPATION Cosmic observer **BASE** Destiny's garden
HEIGHT Variable **WEIGHT** Variable **EYES** None **HAIR** Unknown
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES God-like, all-seeing entity who carries a book containing the history of every event in the universe; casts no shadow, leaves no footprint.

[illegible] reality [illegible] oldest [illegible] of [illegible] is an [illegible] the [illegible] Despair [illegible] human [illegible] a tall [illegible] by others [illegible] book he [illegible] unanswered [illegible]

Destiny [illegible] Within the [illegible] all souls must walk [illegible] does not control the destinations of those who walk the garden, but every [illegible] has already been recorded in his book. Elsewhere in Destiny's garden is a stone [illegible] containing a gallery of portraits that portray the Endless [illegible] the [illegible] Destiny [illegible] that the [illegible] Universe [illegible] in his book [illegible] entrusted [illegible] DW

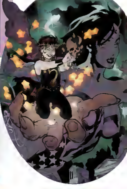
FATE Although the [illegible] Destiny could never do more than [illegible] duties. He is the most [illegible] the Endless.

DEVASTATION

FIRST APPEARANCE WONDER WOMAN (2nd series) #143 (April 1999)
STATUS Villain **REAL NAME** None, calls herself "Deva"
OCCUPATION Creator of mayhem **BASE** Earth
HEIGHT 4ft 6in **WEIGHT** 82 lbs **EYES** Pale blue **HAIR** Red
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Supernatural shape-changer; possesses amazing strength; able to control the minds of humans to fulfill her goal of spreading chaos and despair all over the world.

Baby-faced and barely 12 years old in appearance, Devastation is the epitome of evil. She is yet another monstrous offspring of the mad titan Cronus, father of the Olympian Gods. To counteract his enemy Wonder Woman, Cronus molded Devastation out of the very same clay from which peace-loving Olympian goddesses had sculpted the Amazon Princess. Deva's purpose was not to spread peace and love, of course, but to bring discord, prejudice, and brutality to the peoples of the Earth.

In due course Devastation battled her Amazon sister Diana and learned all of Wonder Woman's secrets by ensnaring Diana in her own golden Lasso of Truth. Devastation then used her own supernatural powers to corrupt a terrorist group to plot an attack using a nuclear bomb. However, Devastation was unaware that a single drop of Wonder Woman's blood had been mixed into the clay that had also created her. Appealing to that scintilla of inherent goodness within Deva, Diana convinced her to allow the nuclear device to explode harmlessly underground, saving millions of lives. Deva then escaped. As Wonder Woman's personal opposite, Devastation is sure to return older and wiser, and probably less likely to allow Diana to use their shared blood to appeal to her [illegible] again. SB



DETECTIVE CHIMP

FIRST APPEARANCE REX THE WONDER DOG #4 (August 1952)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Bobo
OCCUPATION Detective **BASE** Oscaloosa County, Florida
HEIGHT 3ft 7in **WEIGHT** 76 lbs **EYES** Black **HAIR** Black
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Highly intelligent; can communicate with all forms of animal life.

Bobo, a chimpanzee from Africa, brought to the U.S. by animal trainer Fred Thorpe and promoted as the Detective Chimp in a novelty act in which Bobo learned to respond to simple cues and appeared to solve crimes. After journeying to the Fountain of Youth with Rex the Wonder Dog, Bobo acquired enhanced intelligence and the gift of speech. Bobo moved to the U.S. after he solved his first criminal case and was raised by Fred Thorpe, a world-renowned animal trainer.

Tragically, Thorpe was tragically murdered. Bobo then joined forces with Florida Sheriff Edward Chase and, using his human instincts and [illegible] skills, discovered Thorpe's killer. [illegible] on Bobo as his companion and [illegible] numerous cases over the years. Detective Chimp emerged from years of alcohol [illegible] when the Spectre attacked the Earth's magic users. He became a member of the Shadowpact, battling supernatural threats and spending a year trapped in the [illegible] Riverrock, Wyoming, following [illegible] Infinite Crisis. PJ

DEVIANCE

FIRST APPEARANCE FOREVER PEOPLE #11 (August–September 1972)
STATUS Villain (missing in action) **REAL NAME** Deviance the Pursuer
OCCUPATION Hunter **BASE** Apokolips
HEIGHT 7ft 1in **WEIGHT** 405 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Unrevealed
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Superhumanly strong, invulnerable, and able to increase his density at will; as a result, functions well in any environment; hands fire energy blasts, which slice through most anything and withstand tremendous force.

Deviance [illegible] Apokolips [illegible] RG

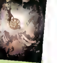
DIAL "H" FOR HERO

FIRST APPEARANCE LEGION OF SUPER-HEROES 2nd series #272 (February 1981)
STATUS Hero team **REAL NAMES** Christopher King and Victoria Grant
OCCUPATION Students **BASE** Fairfax
HEIGHT (Chris) 5ft 10in (Vicki) 5ft 6in **WEIGHT** (Chris) 145 lbs (Vicki) 120 lbs **EYES** (Chris) Green (Vicki) blue **HAIR** (Chris) Red (Vicki) blonde
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Dialing the "Hero" H-Dial transforms each of them into a new hero for about one hour. Chris automatically transforms once an hour through his psychic link with the dial.

Chris King and Vicki Grant were summoned by a mysterious voice to the attic of teenage genius Robby Reed. There, the teenagers found two odd dials with the letters H-E-R-O inscribed on them. Dialing the word, both Chris and Vicki discovered they could become a variety of bizarre and amazing super heroes for an hour at a time. Their friend Nick Stevens, a cartoonist, designed a number of the heroes they became.

For years Chris and Vicki battled criminals of all sorts, including the evil Master, who was planning on creating an army of super-villains to rule the world. After high school graduation Vicki moved to San Francisco and was seduced by the nefarious Children of the Sun, vowing to destroy Chris. Vicki was eventually freed from her evil thrall by hero Cruz. Chris's own powers were transformed, and after a brief stint of study at S.T.A.R. Labs he moved to Los Angeles.

Chris was briefly a member of the East West division of the TEEN TITANS. PJ/SB



DIALING "H" *The H-Dial transforms ordinary people into heroes. [illegible] lost by Robby Reed and found in [illegible] the hands of several ordinary people [illegible] the insane Reed [illegible] claim it!*

DIRECTOR BONES

FIRST APPEARANCE INFINITY, INC. #16 (July 1985)
STATUS Unresolved **REAL NAME** Unrevealed
OCCUPATION Director, Department of Extranormal Operations
BASE New York City
HEIGHT 5ft 9in **WEIGHT** 165 lbs **EYES/HAIR** Invisible
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Superstrength; cyanide touch can burn through flesh; skin and organs are totally invisible, revealing skeleton underneath; as DEO director, has access to an arsenal of weapons and a wealth of information.

Director Bones is the product of a twisted genetic experiment by the biologist Doctor Benjamin Love. Bones's mother gave birth to a mutated child whose skin and organs were invisible and, as an adult, Bones developed an acid-touch. Mister Bones, as he came to be called, and several of Love's experimental children became the HELIX, a team of misguided super heroes. The Helix came to blows several times with INFINITY, INC.

Mister Bones reformed, and even joined Infinity, Inc. for a brief time, before he accidentally killed the original Star-Spangled Kid. Plagued by guilt, Bones disappeared but returned years later as a major figure in the DEO. Working for Amanda Waller (see WALLER, AMANDA), Bones became the DEO's director. PJ

SKELETON CREW *Now the clandestine leader of the DEO, Director Bones.*

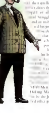
DNANGELS

FIRST APPEARANCE SUPERBOY (2nd series) #88 (July 2001)
STATUS Former U.S. government operatives **BASE** Classified
MEMBERS/POWERS
Cherub, Epiphany, Seraph (identities unknown) Shared genetically enhanced abilities include telekinesis, flight, superstrength, bodily transformation, and superspeed.

The DNAngels were a trio of agents bioengineered by the U.S. military at a cost of over $2 billion. According to the diminutive and duplicitous General Cwell, the DNAngels clashed with Superboy when they were ordered to abduct the infant clone of Jim Harper (GUARDIAN) in the teen hero's care. Superboy learned from his [illegible] Amanda Spence that the DNAngels were spliced with genetic material taken from the teen hero, as well as his YOUNG JUSTICE teammates Impulse (see KID FLASH) and WONDER GIRL. Cherub was modeled on gene samples from Tana Moon, Superboy's late girlfriend, which explained Cherub's flirtatious attractiveness to him. Cherub helped Superboy to battle Spence, nearly losing her life, and the DNAngels, disillusioned with the Cadmus scheming, departed his employ to use their powers for the greater good. SB

DOC MAGNUS

FIRST APPEARANCE SHOWCASE #37 (March–April 1962)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** William Magnus
OCCUPATION Cyberneticist **BASE** Metropolis
HEIGHT (Doc Magnus) 5ft 10in; (Veridium) 6ft 10in
WEIGHT (Doc Magnus) 170 lbs; (Veridium) 590 lbs
EYES (Doc Magnus) Brown; (Veridium) green
HAIR (Doc Magnus) Brown; (Veridium) none
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES As Veridium, his robot body has superstrength, near invulnerability, and can fly.



Will Magnus created the METAL MEN, some of the world's most brilliant robots. After studying under the scientist T.O. Morrow, Magnus developed the Metal Men as robot assistants, with their intelligence and personalities the result of responsometers that fill the robots each with an artificial soul. Struggling with bipolar disorder and an inability to balance his work and his personal life, Dr. Magnus went through an unstable period that resulted in him becoming a Metal Man himself, the powerful Veridium.

Magnus later returned to his human body and [illegible] numbered among many scientists relocated to [illegible] Island following the [illegible] Chang [illegible] hired Magnus to create a [illegible] as a weapon, but [illegible] the future versions of his Metal Men [illegible] to escape. Doing Magnus's genius is often sought out by the JUSTICE LEAGUE OF AMERICA and other parties. PJ

DOCTOR ALCHEMY

FIRST APPEARANCE (Albert Desmond) SHOWCASE #13 (April 1958); (Alvin Desmond) THE FLASH (1st series) #287 (July 1980)
STATUS Villain **REAL NAME** Albert Desmond/Alvin Desmond
OCCUPATION Adventurer **BASE** Central City
HEIGHT 5ft 11in **WEIGHT** 175 lbs **EYES** Green **HAIR** Red
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Philosopher's Stone, often controlled from a distance by telekinesis, transmutes one element into another.

After coming into possession of the transmuting talisman known as the Philosopher's Stone, criminal Albert Desmond (previously Mr. Element) posed a new danger as Dr. Alchemy. But after [illegible] defeat by the second FLASH, Desmond quit crime and buried the Philosopher's Stone. Some time later, Alvin Desmond, his psychic twin—unearthed the Stone and adopted the identity of Dr. Alchemy.

Although unrelated, both Desmonds shared a psychic bond that allowed Alvin to suppress his own dark impulses while Albert was active in [illegible]. With Albert returned [illegible] and used the Philosopher's Stone [illegible] that a hypnotized Albert [illegible] were the Scarlet Speedster [illegible] Alvin while Albert [illegible] Dr. Alchemy has escaped prison at several times since, battling the second Flash and his successor Wally West as a member of the Scarlet Speedster's Rogues Gallery. SB

DOCTOR BEDLAM

FIRST APPEARANCE MISTER MIRACLE (1st series) #3 (July–August 1971)
STATUS Villain **REAL NAME** Doctor Bedlam
OCCUPATION Scientist **BASE** Apokolips
HEIGHT 6ft 2in **WEIGHT** 226 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Black
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES A being of pure psionic energy, Bedlam controls his animates, up to six at a time.

A twisted scientific genius, Bedlam takes delight in manufacturing new ways to inflict terror on the fragile minds of his subjects. Considered a rebel by Apokolips's ruler DARKSEID, Dr. Bedlam took away at his experiments. When called to duty he serves faithfully, using his creations [illegible] as surrogate bodies. At some point in the past, Bedlam gave up his physical body to exist as pure mental energy. He maintains [illegible] bodies [illegible] inhabit one at a time, allowing him to resemble his original physical presence. After defeat at the hands of MISTER MIRACLE, Bedlam dedicated himself to capturing and breaking the members of the NEW GODS. During the Death of the New Gods [illegible] all the inhabitants of the Fourth World, including Doctor Bedlam, had their [illegible] ripped from their bodies by a mysterious assailant. RG

DOCTOR DESTINY

FIRST APPEARANCE JUSTICE LEAGUE OF AMERICA (1st series) #5 (July 1961)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** John Dee
OCCUPATION Adventurer **BASE** Mobile
HEIGHT 6ft 1in **WEIGHT** 171 lbs **EYES** Red **HAIR** None
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Invades the nightmares of his opponents and makes their nightmares a terrifying reality.

Doctor Destiny began his criminal career as the proud inventor of the "materioptikon," which could turn dreams into reality. In truth, the device took its power not from the Doctor's technological skill but from a ruby [illegible] belonging to Morpheus, Lord of Dreams. Doctor Destiny's obsession robbed him of his own ability to dream and he wasted away to a shrunken skeleton. He escaped imprisonment in Gotham City's Arkham Asylum on numerous occasions to battle the JUSTICE LEAGUE OF AMERICA, becoming one of their earliest foes.

Recently Doctor Destiny threatened his old enemies once again by bringing his dream self into the real world and attacking the JLA with the bizarre, irrational logic of dreams. Defeated, Doctor Destiny has since been returned to his Arkham cell. DW

DOCTOR FATE

First appearance (Dr Fate I) MORE FUN COMICS #55 (May 1940)
Status Hero **Real name** Kent Nelson
Occupation Archaeologist/physician **Base** Salem, Massachusetts
Height 6ft 2in **Weight** 197 lbs **Eyes** Blue **Hair** Blond
Special powers/abilities Able to levitate and fly; nearly invulnerable; helmet, amulet and mantle of Nabu are powerful mystic talismans, making Dr. Fate one of the greatest living sorcerers.

First appearance (Inza Cramer) MORE FUN COMICS #55 (May 1940); (Dr Fate III) DOCTOR FATE (3rd series) #25 (February 1991)
Status Hero **Real name** Inza Cramer Nelson
Occupation Adventurer **Base** Salem, Massachusetts
Height 5ft 7in **Weight** 125 lbs **Eyes** Green **Hair** Blonde
Special powers/abilities Depending on who initiated the mystical merge, Kent or Inza Nelson. Fate manifested as a man or a woman.

First appearance (Hector Hall) ALL STAR SQUADRON #25 (September 1983); (Dr Fate IV) JSA #3 (October 1999)
Status Hero **Real name** Hector Hall
Occupation Agent of balance **Base** Salem, Massachusetts
Height 6ft **Weight** 184 lbs **Eyes** Blue **Hair** White
Special powers/abilities While wearing the helmet of Nabu, Hector hears the voice of the ancient sorcerer himself.

Bulletproof [illegible]
Dr Fate [illegible]
the bulk [illegible]

GREATEST SORCERER

Many centuries ago, the Lord of Order known as Nabu placed himself in suspended [illegible] his human host body to [illegible] wielding Nabu's magic. [illegible] when archaeologist Sven Nelson and his son Kent were exploring the Ur Valley in Mesopotamia. [illegible] gas was released from the [illegible] Sven Nelson. Nabu took Kent [illegible] turned him into an adult, and [illegible] After many years, Nabu [illegible] Kent the helmet and cloak [illegible] might. Now an agent of the Lords of Order, Kent [illegible] Dr. Fate, one of the most powerful [illegible] and a founding member of the Justice Society of America.

[illegible]

KENT NELSON AND INZA CRAMER

Dr. Fate [illegible] and Inza Cramer [illegible] World War II [illegible] All-Star Squadron [illegible] Kent and Inza Nelson [illegible] both [illegible]

Eventually [illegible] Nabu [illegible] transformed [illegible] physically [illegible] Kent Nelson [illegible] The [illegible] Kent and Linda [illegible] friends, Eugene and Wendy [illegible] Kent and Inza Nelson [illegible] himself as the [illegible] infant child.

Kent and Inza [illegible] up the mantle [illegible] the Stranger [illegible] was unable [illegible] Inza was [illegible] Both Kent and [illegible] during the [illegible] Great Battles [illegible] Fate's talismans [illegible] the hands of Jared Stevens, who [illegible] a mystic dagger [illegible] Nabu [illegible] Hector Hall [illegible] Hawkman and Hawkwoman [illegible] Spectre, Nabu [illegible] helmet to find [illegible] Fate. SB

Attack Nabu [illegible] the dreamscape of [illegible] helm, spawning [illegible] latest Dr. Fate [illegible] strike out and [illegible] the full measure of [illegible] mystical might.

Power
[illegible] Hall [illegible] Nabu [illegible] guiding him.

KEY STORYLINES
- JSA #1 (August 1999): Jared Stevens, possessor of Nabu's talismans, is killed by the minions of Mordru, thus paving the way for the long-awaited return of Dr. Fate.
- Doctor Fate (4th series) #1–4 (October 2003–February 2004): Hector Hall battles and destroys the Curse, a timeless evil that wrecked ancient Egypt, as he settles in at Dr. Fate's Salem tower.

Doctor Fate
[illegible] manipulate vast magical forces.

DOCTOR IMPOSSIBLE

FIRST APPEARANCE JUSTICE LEAGUE OF AMERICA (2nd series) #1 (October 2006)
STATUS Villain **REAL NAME** Unknown
OCCUPATION Professional criminal **BASE** Mobile
HEIGHT 6ft **WEIGHT** 185 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Black
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Possesses Fourth World technology allowing teleportation and other powers.

Doctor Impossible is a newcomer to the super-villain scene and he keeps his personal details [illegible]. He wears a dark colored costume [illegible] to that of [illegible] though his heritage [illegible] New God [illegible] Apokolips [illegible] New Genesis has yet [illegible]. Doctor Impossible carries [illegible] "father box" and teleports [illegible] boom tube—both apparently based [illegible] Fourth World technologies of the [illegible] and the boom tube. Approximately a year after the [illegible] Doctor Impossible emerged in the employ of Professor [illegible] gathering parts to be used in the [illegible] of a robot body to house [illegible] of Solomon Grundy. [illegible] Red Tornado's body [illegible] the Metal Men and making off with the Parasite's arm he lost a fight against Green Lantern, Black Canary II, and Red Arrow. [illegible] DW

DOCTOR LIGHT I

FIRST APPEARANCE JUSTICE LEAGUE OF AMERICA (1st series) #12 (June 1962)
STATUS Villain **REAL NAME** Arthur Light
OCCUPATION Professional criminal **BASE** New York City
HEIGHT 5ft 11in **WEIGHT** 171 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Black
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Manipulates visible light spectrum, generating blinding brilliance or thin laser beams; poor hand-to-hand combatant.

Dr. Arthur Light and Dr. [illegible] both work [illegible] as researchers at S.T.A.R. [illegible] where Jacob [illegible] S.T.A.R. [illegible] called Doctor Light. [illegible] mishap, and [illegible] Arthur [illegible] Light gear in order [illegible] himself against Jacob's [illegible] ghost. Arthur quickly acquired [illegible] for crime despite his [illegible] success rate. After assaulting Sue Dibny aboard the Justice League of America's satellite, Doctor Light suffered a mind wipe and partial lobotomy due to Zatanna's magics. Once he regained his memories [illegible] Light attempted revenge against the League's members. [illegible] Light is often looked [illegible] his fellow villains. DW

DOCTOR LIGHT II

FIRST APPEARANCE CRISIS ON INFINITE EARTHS #4 (July 1985)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Kimiyo Hoshi
OCCUPATION Adventurer **BASE** Japan
HEIGHT 5ft 3in **WEIGHT** 105 lbs **EYES** Black **HAIR** Black
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Vast light-based powers permit flight, illusion casting, the ability to fire lasers and generate hard light projections.

The hero [illegible] Doctor Light [illegible] during the Crisis [illegible] Great Battles [illegible] when the all-powerful Monitor zapped [illegible] Dr. Kimiyo Hoshi with otherworldly energy. After [illegible] Hoshi joined the Justice League of America [illegible] own becoming the leader of the European branch—but her innate arrogance left many of her team mates cold. She possesses most of the same powers as her villainous namesake, yet has labored to establish herself as a hero in her own headstrong way. As a single mother with two young children, Doctor Light II is only semi-active in the super hero business, yet she has recently served with both the Outsiders and the Doom Patrol. Although [illegible] a member of either team [illegible] adventurer. DW

DOCTOR MID-NITE I

FIRST APPEARANCE ALL AMERICAN COMICS #25 (April 1941)
STATUS Hero (deceased) **REAL NAME** Charles M. McNider
OCCUPATION Adventurer, physician
BASE New York City and other unnamed cities
HEIGHT 5ft 11in **WEIGHT** 179 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Black
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Special infrared glasses enabled him to see perfectly in the pitch dark or in daylight; was a gifted doctor and a skilled author in addition to having a mean right hook.

DR. MID-NITE

IN THE LAB [illegible]

[illegible] McNider [illegible] New York [illegible] Myra [illegible] and Dr. Mid-Nite [illegible] Mid-Nite lost his life while battling the [illegible]

DOCTOR MID-NITE II

FIRST APPEARANCE DOCTOR MID-NITE #1 (March 1999)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Pieter Anton Cross, M.D.
OCCUPATION Adventurer, physician **BASE** Portsmouth City
HEIGHT 5ft 10in **WEIGHT** 175 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Black
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Able to see in the dark but not in the light; goggles carry a variety of medications; a brilliant inventor who has improved on his mentor's Blackout Bombs.

[illegible] Dr. Mid-Nite [illegible] and [illegible] then [illegible] RG

WHAT HE SEES [illegible]

DOCTOR MIST

FIRST APPEARANCE (historic) SUPER FRIENDS #12 (March 1978)
(in DCU continuity) DC COMICS PRESENTS #46 (July 1982)
STATUS Hero (missing in action) **REAL NAME** Maltis
OCCUPATION Adventurer **BASE** New York City
HEIGHT 6ft 4in **WEIGHT** 220 lbs **EYES** Brown **HAIR** Black
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Possession of one of the Stones of Life augmented his powers as a sorcerer, which included illusion casting, transmutation of objects, and teleportation. He was immortal.

[illegible] PJ

DOCTOR OCCULT

FIRST APPEARANCE NEW FUN COMICS #6 (October 1935)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Richard Occult
OCCUPATION Mystical private investigator **BASE** New York City
HEIGHT 6ft 1in **WEIGHT** 189 lbs **EYES** Grey **HAIR** Black
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Vast magical powers, including hypnotism, illusion casting, telekinesis, and the ability to teleport by traveling through the astral plane. Carries the Mystic Symbol of the Seven, which repels supernatural energy.

[illegible] DW

DOCTOR PHOSPHORUS

FIRST APPEARANCE DETECTIVE COMICS #469 (May 1977)
STATUS Villain **REAL NAME** Alex Sartorius
OCCUPATION Professional criminal **BASE** Gotham City
HEIGHT 5ft 11in **WEIGHT** 169 lbs **EYES** Red **HAIR** None
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Burns on contact with the air, letting off toxic fumes and endangering everyone who comes near.

[illegible] DW

DOCTOR POLARIS

FIRST APPEARANCE GREEN LANTERN (2nd series) #21 (June 1963)
STATUS Villain (deceased) **REAL NAME** Neal Emerson
OCCUPATION Physicist, physician, criminal **BASE** New Mexico
HEIGHT 6ft 1in **WEIGHT** 196 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Brown
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Generates and controls magnetic energy using magnetism; he can levitate, create force fields, generate concussive blasts, and attract, repel, or manipulate any metal object.

[illegible] PJ

KNOCKED OUT [illegible]

OUTPACED! [illegible]

DOCTOR PSYCHO

FIRST APPEARANCE WONDER WOMAN (1st series) #5 (May 1991)
STATUS Villain **REAL NAME** Edgar Cizko
OCCUPATION Psychotherapist **BASE** Mobile
HEIGHT 3ft 9in **WEIGHT** 85 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Black
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Able to alter and manipulate the perceptions of his victims by attacking through dreams; creates hallucinatory nightmare landscapes to torment foes with fear and despair.

One of the [illegible] WONDER WOMAN [illegible] Dr. Psycho [illegible] Ladies Station [illegible] psychiatrist to the [illegible] Princess's teenage [illegible] Vanessa Kapatelis, and usurped his identity [illegible] he then used Vanessa's subconscious [illegible] mentally manipulate Wonder Woman [illegible] distorted in his mental psychic assaults [illegible] a lingering threat to Wonder Woman [illegible] Vanessa especially. Psycho was later [illegible] Sebastian Ballesteros (see CIRCE) [illegible] Vanessa's damaged psyche and [illegible] SILVER SWAN, a living weapon to [illegible] He became a key member of [illegible] SECRET SOCIETY OF SUPER-VILLAINS during the Infinite [illegible] strong enough to unleash [illegible] Metropolis. He later [illegible] Kate Spencer (see [illegible]). SB

NIGHTMARE [illegible] you [illegible] the villain [illegible] than he [illegible]

HEAD DOCTOR [illegible] by Dr. Psycho [illegible] also [illegible]

CRAZY SCHEMES Time and again, Sivana and his family [illegible] to seize power or take over the world. They remain defeated at the hands of the Marvel Family.

DOCTOR SIVANA

FIRST APPEARANCE WHIZ COMICS #2 (February 1940)
STATUS Villain **REAL NAME** Thaddeus Bodog Sivana
OCCUPATION Adventurer **BASE** Fawcett City
HEIGHT 5ft 4in **WEIGHT** 123 lbs
EYES Gray **HAIR** None
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES While possessing no powers, Sivana is a genius in any number of disciplines.

Dr. [illegible] Fawcett City. [illegible] Sivana's wife, Venus, to leave him, with their two children, Beautia and Magnificus, and [illegible] billionaire's empire collapsed when [illegible] to the murders of archaeologists [illegible] Batson (see CAPTAIN MARVEL). [illegible] Sivana Building was destroyed in fire [illegible] billionaire was presumed dead until he [illegible] the scarab necklace of the wizard [illegible] was thwarted by Captain Marvel, and [illegible] Sivana learned that the hero was also young [illegible].

[illegible] his brilliant mind was not a very [illegible] despite frequent prison escapes, [illegible] captured by Captain Marvel, whom he [illegible] "The Big Red Cheese." [illegible] when he became [illegible] the Venusian worm MISTER MIND [illegible] plans to conquer Earth. However this [illegible] when Mr. Mind allied himself with [illegible] Marvel. Sivana [illegible] a new grouping [illegible] and after the Infinite Crisis [illegible] on Oolong Island [illegible] the Chang Tzu (see [illegible]) MISTER MIND escaped from [illegible] the multiverse—after [illegible] (see [illegible]) [illegible] Mind's campaign, the worm wound up [illegible] Sivana's care once more. RG

DOCTOR THIRTEEN

FIRST APPEARANCE STAR SPANGLED COMICS #122 (November 1951)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Terrence Thirteen
OCCUPATION Investigator into the paranormal **BASE** Mobile
HEIGHT 5ft 11in **WEIGHT** 168 lbs **EYES** Brown **HAIR** Brown
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Brilliant deductive logical mind enables him to uncover the truth however bizarre

[illegible] DW

DOLL MAN

FIRST APPEARANCE FEATURE COMICS #27 (December 1939)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Darrel Dane
OCCUPATION Chemist resistance leader adventurer
BASE Washington D.C. New York City
HEIGHT (Dane) 6ft (Doll Man) 6in **WEIGHT** (Dane) 175 lbs, (Doll Man) 21/2 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Black
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Can shrink to a height of 6in while retaining his normal-size strength can also fly

[illegible] PJ

DOLL GIRL

FIRST APPEARANCE DOLL MAN #37 (December 1951)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Martha Roberts
OCCUPATION Adventurer **BASE** An unidentified American city
HEIGHT 5ft 6in **WEIGHT** 120 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Brown
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Able to shrink her size and weight to 5.5 inches and 4 lbs respectively

In 1951 Martha Roberts was the fiancée of [illegible] Darrel Dane [illegible] SB

DOLPHIN

FIRST APPEARANCE SHOWCASE #79 (January 1969)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Unknown
OCCUPATION Mother **BASE** Atlantis
HEIGHT 5ft 10in **WEIGHT** 145 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** White
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Can survive both above and below the water's surface very fast swimmer able to withstand deep sea pressure

[illegible] They currently make their home in Atlantis. RG

WATER BABY [illegible]

DOMINUS

FIRST APPEARANCE ACTION COMICS #747 (August 1998)
STATUS Villain **REAL NAME** Tuoni
OCCUPATION Destroyer of worlds **BASE** The Infinite Domain
HEIGHT/WEIGHT Variable **EYES** Red **HAIR** None
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Creates multiple realities based on the worst nightmares of his opponents.

[illegible] portions of [illegible] All Realities [illegible] godlike [illegible] attack [illegible] allowed [illegible] Phantom Zone [illegible] Superman [illegible] Phantom Zone. DW

DON CABALLERO

FIRST APPEARANCE ALL STAR WESTERN #58 (April–May 1951)
STATUS Hero (deceased) **REAL NAME** Unknown
OCCUPATION Fencing instructor, adventurer
BASE Southern California in the early 19th century
HEIGHT 5ft 11in **WEIGHT** 178 lbs **EYES** Brown **HAIR** Black
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Expert fencer and horseman.

[illegible] California from [illegible] Spain in the early [illegible] 19th century and [illegible] in the small [illegible] Hawk Hill. His [illegible] Don [illegible] his expert [illegible] skills [illegible] local [illegible] like the ghost [illegible] Hawk Hill's [illegible] Don Caballero [illegible] Hawk Hill [illegible] PJ

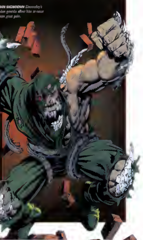
DOOMSDAY

FIRST APPEARANCE SUPERMAN: THE MAN OF STEEL #17 (Nov 199
STATUS Villain **REAL NAME** None
OCCUPATION Destroyer **BASE** Earth
HEIGHT 7ft **WEIGHT** 615 lbs **EYES** Red **HAIR** Yellow
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Bred to be the ultimate killing machine; each time he is defeated, he regenerates with a higher level of strength and endurance, making him an unbeatable foe.

CREATION *The clone that will become Doomsday is unleashed into Krypton's harsh environment.*

Some 250,000 years ago, an alien scientist named Bertron arrived on Krypton and commenced cloning experiments to create the perfect warrior. Within decades, a cloned baby proved able to survive on harsh Krypton and withstand local predators. Turning on its creator, the creature killed Bertron before escaping Krypton. The monster traveled to other worlds, where it killed without mercy. Through the years, members of the GREEN LANTERN CORPS opposed this being, known as Doomsday until it threatened Oa, home to the GUARDIANS OF THE UNIVERSE. Their champion Radiant defeated Doomsday and he was chained, wrapped in a protective garment, placed in a container, and ejected into space. The container crashed into the Earth, burying itself deep underground. Over the millennia Doomsday struggled to free himself, pounding his way to the surface until he emerged in North America. He beat back the JUSTICE LEAGUE OF AMERICA before confronting SUPERMAN in Metropolis. The two fought an epic battle that laid waste to the city and resulted in the death of the Man of Steel. Since then, Doomsday has remained unstoppable, although he has since become a pawn for the likes of BRAINIAC and even Lex Luthor (see LUTHOR, LEX). RG

SUPERMAN SHOWDOWN *Doomsday's kryptonian genetics allow him to cause Superman great pain.*



KILLING MACHINE *A rampaging engine of destruction, each new generation of Doomsday adapts to new perils and new environments, making him the perfect weapon.*

DOOM PATROL

SUPERPOWERED MISFITS

FIRST APPEARANCE MY GREATEST ADVENTURE #80 (June 1963)
STATUS Hero team **BASE** Midway City
CURRENT MEMBERS AND POWERS
BEAST BOY (GARFIELD LOGAN) Can transform into any animal
BUMBLEBEE (KAREN BEECHER) Can fly and has electrical stingers
THE CHIEF (NILES CAULDER) Brilliant scientific mind
ELASTI-GIRL (RITA FARR) Can shrink or grow to various sizes
MENTO (STEVE DAYTON) Telepathy, mind control, telekinesis
NEGATIVE MAN (LARRY TRAINOR) Radioactive projection can fly, turn intangible
ROBOTMAN (CLIFF STEELE) Human brain housed in super-powerful robot body
VOX (MAL DUNCAN) [illegible] sonic blasts and open dimensional gates

A TEAM OF SUPERPOWERED MISFITS, the Doom Patrol was assembled by the wheelchair-bound Dr. Niles Caulder to thwart threats to humanity. Caulder believed that these meta-humans—all marked by tragedy and ostracized from society—had nothing to lose and so would be willing to risk their lives as the world's strangest super heroes. As "THE CHIEF," Caulder recruited ELASTI-GIRL, NEGATIVE MAN and ROBOTMAN II as the first Doom Patrol, a trio that soon learned to work as a team and live together as a family in Caulder's Midway City mansion. The Doom Patrol's greatest adventures involved saving the world from such menaces as the Brotherhood of Evil and GENERAL IMMORTUS.

KEY 1) [illegible] **2)** [illegible] **3)** The Chief [illegible] **4)** [illegible]

FAST FORWARD!

A huge number of meta-human heroes with all kinds of powers and abilities—ranging from the merely [illegible] to the weird or plain disturbing—have passed through the Doom Patrol's ranks. The [illegible] current team was assembled by eccentric [illegible] Thayer Jost, who had purchased [illegible] the Patrol's name from a Robotman [illegible] doppelganger created by former team [illegible] [illegible] Spinner (see SPINNER). Dorothy [illegible] possessed the ability to turn [illegible] into frightening reality [illegible] young meta-hu[illegible] [illegible] Fast Forward—quickly [illegible] Negative Man, [illegible] one of [illegible] [illegible] Fever, Freak [illegible] little experience [illegible] [illegible] the team [illegible] back [illegible] [illegible] Man and Robotman [illegible] 58

THE DEVIL [illegible] back [illegible] and [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

FATHER FIGURE [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] among the [illegible] [illegible]

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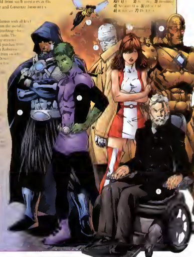


KEY STORYLINES

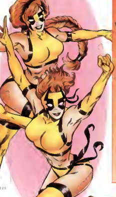
- **DOOM PATROL (1ST SERIES) #121 (AUGUST 1968):** The original Doom Patrol sacrifice their own lives to save Codsville, Maine, from Madame Rouge and Captain Zahl. All but Elasti-Girl truly perish.
- **SHOWCASE #94 (AUGUST 1977):** Dr. Will Magnus finds Robotman's broken body and rebuilds him in time to join a new Doom Patrol that includes Celsius, Negative Woman, and Tempest.
- **DOOM PATROL (2ND SERIES) #19 (FEBRUARY 1989):** Things get stranger for the world's strangest heroes as they emerge from further tragedy by adding Crazy Jane to the team. They embark on new adventures while battling menaces like the Scissormen, Red Jack, and the Brotherhood of Dada.

DOUBLE DARE

FIRST APPEARANCE NIGHTWING #32 (June 1999)
STATUS Villain team **REAL NAMES** Margot and Aleksa Marceau
OCCUPATION Trapeze artists/thieves **BASE** Mobile
HEIGHT (Margot) 5ft 7in (Aleksa) 5ft 4in
WEIGHT (Margot) 135 lbs (Aleksa) 124 lbs **EYES** Green **HAIR** Red
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Top acrobats and above average combatants

[illegible] the [illegible] trapeze [illegible] after the [illegible] Margot and Aleksa [illegible] at the [illegible] Double Dare. Most towns [illegible] the Marceau [illegible] back [illegible] red heads.

When [illegible] Blüdhaven, Double Dare [illegible] enemy [illegible] Nightwing [illegible] Double Dare [illegible] and helped Margot and Aleksa [illegible] Stallion and Brutale. The Double Dare [illegible] developed a [illegible] Dick Grayson had [illegible] that the Marceaus had [illegible] Blüdhaven [illegible] left town with the [illegible] other, more innocent town [illegible] would [illegible] before too long. **DW**



DOUBLE, JONNY

FIRST APPEARANCE SHOWCASE #78 (November 1968)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Jonathan Sebastian Double
OCCUPATION Private investigator **BASE** San Francisco, CA
HEIGHT 5ft 11in **WEIGHT** 178 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Blond
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Above average hand-to-hand combatant; relies heavily on his training as a policeman; known more for his tenacity than his detective skills

Jonny Double [illegible] mystery. Double was originally a [illegible] policeman working in San Francisco [illegible] left the force and opened up a small private investigation firm [illegible] San Francisco waterfront. For [illegible] career, Jonny Double solved mundane street-level [illegible]. Although Double [illegible] with [illegible] underworld leader [illegible] the outlandish [illegible] anomaly. He down on his luck [illegible] to the foggy streets of San Francisco, and [illegible] candidates like Fish Eye, a pool shark, and Crystal [illegible] local wanton.

After accepting a simple job to watch a [illegible] rebellious daughter, Double found himself embroiled in [illegible] Al Capone. **PJ**

DRAGON KING

FIRST APPEARANCE ALL-STAR SQUADRON #4 (December 1981)
STATUS Villain (missing in action) **REAL NAME** Unknown
OCCUPATION Assassin **BASE** Mobile
HEIGHT 5ft 11in **WEIGHT** 184 lbs **EYES** Brown **HAIR** None
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Human-lizard hybrid, genius inventor, superior athlete and combatant

During World War II, the leader of the Black Dragon Society was both a high-ranking Japanese official and a respected scientist. He created the K887 nerve agent and secured the legendary Holy Grail for Imperial Japan, combining that talisman's power with the Spear of Destiny wielded by Adolf Hitler to create a mystical energy field that briefly protected the Japanese Empire and Hitler's Fortress Europa from attack by superpowered "Mystery Men." Following Japan's defeat, the Axis agent went into hiding and subjected himself to experiments that turned him into a human/reptile hybrid. Not long ago, he resurfaced with a daughter, Cindy Burman (Shiv), and battled the Star-Spangled Kid, her partner S.T.R.I.P.E., and the Shining Knight. The Dragon King seemingly perished in the fight, though his body was never recovered. **SB**

DRAGON, RICHARD

FIRST APPEARANCE RICHARD DRAGON, KUNG-FU FIGHTER #1 (May 1975)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Richard Dragon
OCCUPATION Private investigator **BASE** West Detroit; now Blüdhaven
HEIGHT 6ft 1in **WEIGHT** 205 lbs **EYES** Brown **HAIR** Red
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Master of all known empty hand fighting disciplines

Richard Dragon [illegible] with Ben Turner [illegible] as Bronze Tiger [illegible] Turner's tutelage, Richard Dragon [illegible] fighter in his own right [illegible] costumed vigilantes, including Batman, Black Canary, and Vic Sage (the Question). Unfortunately, Dragon [illegible] under the sway of the [illegible] Lady Shiva, who [illegible] him into the world of illegal (and lethal) underground fighting competitions. In the sacred city of Nanda Parbat, Dragon helped train police [illegible] Renee Montoya [illegible] become the new QUESTION. **SB**

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS [illegible] Richard Dragon [illegible] as Montoya [illegible] Question.

DREAM GIRL

FIRST APPEARANCE ADVENTURE COMICS #317 (February 1964)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Nura Nal Schnappin
OCCUPATION Psychic **BASE** Earth
HEIGHT 5ft 6in **WEIGHT** 135 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Blonde
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Can receive limited glimpses of the future while in narcoleptic state, undergoing hand-to-hand combat training as a member of the Legion of Super-Heroes

[illegible] unlike to [illegible] particularly [illegible] On one [illegible] Girl [illegible] to prevent [illegible] and [illegible] apocalyptic future [illegible] precognition [illegible] Brainiac 5 the [illegible] opposite approaches [illegible] After Nura's [illegible] Brainiac 5 became obsessed [illegible] and restoring her [illegible] also found a way to [illegible] to Brainy in his sleep [illegible] Dream Boy took her place [illegible] RG

DUSK, NATHANIEL

FIRST APPEARANCE NATHANIEL DUSK #1 (February 1984)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Nathaniel Dusk
OCCUPATION Private investigator **BASE** New York City
HEIGHT 6ft **WEIGHT** 187 lbs **EYES** Brown **HAIR** Brown
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Good in a fight and handy with a gun; tough as teak; never gives up on a case

Nathaniel Dusk [illegible] New York [illegible] World War [illegible] Dusk [illegible] [illegible] and [illegible] DW

DYBBUK

FIRST APPEARANCE SUICIDE SQUAD (1st series) #45 (September [illegible])
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** "Lenny"
OCCUPATION Artificial intelligence **BASE** Mobile
HEIGHT/WEIGHT/EYES/HAIR Inapplicable
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Able to usurp and take control of any computerized technology

[illegible] the artificial intelligence Dybbuk was originally [illegible] [illegible] Dybbuk and [illegible] Americas [illegible] Dybbuk [illegible] the Squad's [illegible] Waller [illegible] Amanda [illegible] the Squad [illegible] the Squad's Mindboggler [illegible] became a [illegible] member [illegible] Dybbuk and [illegible] [illegible] U.S. government [illegible] X SB

DURAN

FIRST APPEARANCE SUPERMAN (2nd series) ANNUAL #12 (Aug. 2000)
STATUS Villain **REAL NAME** Duran
OCCUPATION Ecological terrorist **BASE** Mexico City, Mexico
HEIGHT 6ft [illegible]in **WEIGHT** 180 lbs **EYES** Brown **HAIR** Black
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Sorcerer who can project energy bolts and manipulate the elements

Senor Duran is a powerful sorcerer [illegible] the Ore [illegible] Mexico [illegible] Senor Duran [illegible] a new Mexico in protest against the [illegible] people [illegible]

Operating out of Zocalo, the [illegible] in the heart of Mexico City, Duran [illegible] the powers of [illegible] [illegible] PJ

DREAMSLAYER

FIRST APPEARANCE JUSTICE LEAGUE EUROPE #15 (June 1990)
STATUS Villain **REAL NAME** Unknown
OCCUPATION Leader of the New Extremists **BASE** Mobile
HEIGHT 6ft 7in **WEIGHT/EYES** Indeterminate **HAIR** None
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Flight, mind-reading, matter manipulation, and teleportational abilities

Dreamslayer led the Extremists who triggered a nuclear holocaust on the planet Angor. He survived by taking refuge in [illegible] dimension [illegible] Angor [illegible] Extremists [illegible] Dreamslayer [illegible] Angor [illegible] power [illegible] the Overmaster [illegible] Dreamslayer assembled [illegible] the New Extremists [illegible] Dreamslayer [illegible] DW

ECHO

FIRST APPEARANCE (Echo III) JUSTICE LEAGUE QUARTERLY #1 (Winter 1990); (Echo IV) BATMAN 80 PAGE GIANT #1 (1998)
STATUS (both) Villains **REAL NAME** (III) Unknown; (IV) Terri Eckhart
OCCUPATION (III) Mercenary; (IV) criminal **BASE** (III) Mobile; (IV) Gotham City **HEIGHT** (III) 5ft 3in; (IV) 5ft 11in **WEIGHT** (III) 115 lbs; (IV) 140 lbs **EYES** (both) Blue **HAIR** (III) Red; (IV) black
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES (III) Can absorb energy directed at her and return it with equal force, enabling her to fly; (IV) is a tough athlete.

The [illegible] name has been [illegible] repeatedly, starting [illegible] the Crimson Avenger during the 1940s. The second, Nina Dante, [illegible] half of a twin [illegible] known as Quiz & Echo, who occasionally joined the Riddler. The third Echo [illegible] worked with Claire Montgomery [illegible] a corporate [illegible] group [illegible] Amongst the [illegible] was a young woman named Echo, a [illegible]

In between [illegible] with the [illegible] her look and [illegible] the cutting edge of [illegible] Terri Eckhart was the fourth Echo [illegible] second Echo to work with [illegible] the Riddler. [illegible] about Terri Eckhart's [illegible] the chooses [illegible] herself with the Riddler but she seems better suited to [illegible] Riddler's temperament that [illegible] predecessor [illegible] when [illegible] controlled [illegible] the fifth costumed woman with the name [illegible] VI emerged after Gotham City became No Man's Land. RG

ECHO VI

FIRST APPEARANCE BATMAN: LEGENDS OF THE DARK KNIGHT #119 (July 1999)
STATUS Villain **REAL NAME** Unrevealed
OCCUPATION Covert agent, assassin **BASE** Unknown
HEIGHT 5ft 4in **WEIGHT** 110 lbs **EYES** Hazel **HAIR** Red
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Sensitive mind powers the receiver in her helmet, enabling her to read others' thoughts and intercept sound waves; natural athlete trained in the use of firearms and other weapons.

The [illegible] Echo VI [illegible] with [illegible] U.S. and became known as [illegible] No Man's Land [illegible] clashed with a human electronic receiver known as Echo VI.

This sixth Echo is a [illegible] agent who underwent surgery [illegible] a procedure known as [illegible] Tuning Project that implanted [illegible] mechanical units to her brain. This allows her to interface with computers [illegible] access to the thoughts [illegible]

Echo VI is a [illegible] unhappy woman [illegible] that specialized [illegible] gets her [illegible] headaches. RG

ECLIPSO

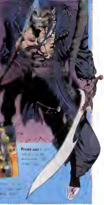
FIRST APPEARANCE House of Secrets (1st series) #61 (August 1963)
STATUS Villain **REAL NAME** None
OCCUPATION Adventurer **BASE** Mobile
HEIGHT 6ft 2in **WEIGHT** 434 lbs **EYES** Red **HAIR** None
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Superstrength, invulnerability, and levitation; can fire black light from right eye and laser beams from left eye when focused through a special black diamond.

EARLY DAYS [illegible]

[illegible] a black diamond [illegible] Eclipso's physical [illegible] trapped in [illegible] black diamond [illegible] the Heart of Darkness while he [illegible] lived on the dark side of the [illegible]

[illegible] 1891 a jeweler split the [illegible] fragments, allowing Eclipso [illegible] revenge fantasies of all those [illegible] of the black shards. Appearing [illegible] or taking physical possession [illegible] bodies, Eclipso worked to gather [illegible] the diamond fragments [illegible] If he destroyed them all [illegible] would allow him to blot out the [illegible] and Bruce Gordon became [illegible] host for Eclipso and struggled [illegible] dark side even [illegible] Eclipso back [illegible] LEAGUE OF AMERICA and the [illegible] who often explored the villain [illegible] sunlight. Eclipso [illegible] from Gordon and killed [illegible] including [illegible] and Dr. Midnight [illegible]

[illegible] the Dark [illegible] the world [illegible] Alexander [illegible] Eclipso made [illegible] then [illegible] the A [illegible] to lead [illegible] magic-users, and tried to [illegible] TDW



POWER MAD [illegible] the destruction [illegible]

UPGRADE [illegible]

EFFIGY

FIRST APPEARANCE GREEN LANTERN (3rd series) #110 (April 1999)
STATUS Villain **REAL NAME** Martyn Van Wyck
OCCUPATION Professional criminal **BASE** Seattle
HEIGHT 6ft 1in **WEIGHT** 195 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Blond
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Alien experiments gave him the power to generate and control seemingly limitless flames and heat at will.

[illegible] the woods of the Pacific Northwest. All Martyn Van Wyck could [illegible] strange shadowy figures looming over him. He [illegible] later that he had been abducted by aliens.

The Controllers, descendants of the same Maltusians [illegible] had become the GUARDIANS OF THE UNIVERSE, had experimented upon Van Wyck and other humans to [illegible] superpowers [illegible] the DARKSTARS [illegible] empowered [illegible] protectors. When [illegible] cigarette lighter [illegible] Van Wyck [illegible] he was [illegible] could manipulate [illegible] He adopted the criminal alter ego Effigy and soon became a flame-throwing foe of GREEN LANTERN Kyle Rayner. After a blazing battle, Effigy was defeated and reclaimed by the Controllers. Later, Effigy returned to Earth and allied himself with Killer Frost (see KILLER FROST II) to fight Green Lantern with both fire and ice. As Effigy's [illegible] of his abilities grows, so does the danger he poses to anyone who gets close enough for him to burn. SB

EGG FU

FIRST APPEARANCE WONDER WOMAN (2nd series) #157 (October 1965)
STATUS Villain **REAL NAME** Chang Tzu
OCCUPATION Mad scientist **BASE** Oolong Island
HEIGHT 10ft **WEIGHT** 560 lbs **EYES** Red **HAIR** None
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Brilliant mind; has weapons concealed in walking armature.

An egg-shaped [illegible] Apokoliptian [illegible] Chang Tzu [illegible] DW

EL DIABLO I & II

FIRST APPEARANCE ALL STAR WESTERN (2nd series) #2 (October 1970)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Lazarus Lane
OCCUPATION Adventurer **BASE** Puerto Del Sol, California
HEIGHT 6ft **WEIGHT** 182 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Black
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES An expert marksman and horseback rider, his body can perform amazing feats of athleticism.

FIRST APPEARANCE El Diablo #1 (August 1989)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Rafael Sandoval
OCCUPATION City councillor **BASE** Dos Rios, Texas
HEIGHT 6ft 2in **WEIGHT** 190 lbs **EYES** Brown **HAIR** Black
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES An accomplished athlete trained in boxing and martial arts.

Lazarus Lane was nearly killed after he [illegible] robbers in 1866 [illegible] by a bolt of lightning, he hovered near death until an Apache shaman named Wise Owl healed him. Lane awoke from his coma believing his spirit had split in two: one [illegible] the other a supernatural being. His spirit began [illegible] the former as El Diablo, [illegible] out justice with fists, [illegible] the gun. Six years later, [illegible] tournament of gunslingers [illegible] hired by Dino Von Hammer [illegible] Jason Blood [illegible] free the [illegible] earth [illegible] Swami [illegible] [illegible] by Wise Owl. When Wise Owl was killed [illegible] [illegible] and El Diablo [illegible] Over a century later, Rafael Sandoval grew up in a tough part of Dos Rios, Texas. He was befriended by a priest, Father Guzman, and trained as a boxer. Sandoval left Dos Rios, [illegible] a law degree and returned to Dos Rios as public defender. His work [illegible] Mayor Tommy Longstreet, who helped him become [illegible] Hispanic on the city council. Frustrated by the red tape and [illegible] entanglements, he felt unable to make a difference. When Sandoval [illegible] several acts of arson being committed for insurance fraud, he [illegible] take direct action but did so wearing an old festival costume and [illegible] defeating the arsonists. Sandoval continued acting as the new El [illegible] Sandoval ultimately retired his El Diablo persona [illegible] [illegible] as a city councillor working within the system. Later Sandoval resumed his El Diablo identity in tandem with the demon Nezzahualcoyotl, whom he agreed to host in exchange for rooting out political corruption. RG

DOUBLE DIABLO Rafael [illegible] his [illegible] the western gunfighter of an earlier century (right).

EKRON

FIRST APPEARANCE ADVENTURE COMICS #352 (January 1967)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Ekron
OCCUPATION Green Lantern **BASE** Mobile
HEIGHT Unknown **WEIGHT** Unknown **EYES** Green **HAIR** None
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Able to fire energy beams and create energy constructs using the Emerald Eye; can also possess the minds of others.

Ekron [illegible] [illegible] DW

EL MUERTO

FIRST APPEARANCE SUPERMAN (2nd ser.) Annual #12 (Aug. 2000)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Pablo Valdez
OCCUPATION Costumed crime fighter **BASE** Mexico City
HEIGHT 5ft 11in **WEIGHT** 178 lbs **EYES** Brown **HAIR** Black
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Skilled fighter; nearly impervious to harm due to his undead nature.

As a young [illegible] Pablo Valdez [illegible] When he [illegible] hostage situation [illegible] hero did every [illegible] a crumbling building. Resurrected through mysterious [illegible] Valdez [illegible] a costume [illegible] the hero El Muerto [illegible] however, he hated [illegible] being there to [illegible] El Muerto [illegible] [illegible] DW

ELASTI-GIRL

FIRST APPEARANCE MY GREATEST ADVENTURE #80 (June 1963)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Rita Farr Dayton
OCCUPATION Actress **BASE** Midway City
HEIGHT (as Rita) 5ft 6in **WEIGHT** (as Rita) 135 lbs
EYES Brown **HAIR** Brown
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Could stretch any part of her body to incredible lengths; could grow to enormous size; could shrink to tiny but not microscopic size.

Rita Farr [illegible] exposed to strange gases while [illegible] Africa. When she discovered she could [illegible] change the proportions of her body, she [illegible] acting career and went into hiding.

Niles Caulder, known as the Chief, discovered [illegible] to join the Doom Patrol, a team of criminal [illegible] fighters. Taking the name Elasti-Girl, Rita reclaimed [illegible] of her youth and soon fell in love with [illegible] Steve Dayton, who had developed [illegible] giving him psychic powers and called [illegible] Mento. The couple soon adopted a boy [illegible] named Garfield Logan, who [illegible] transform into any kind of animal. The youngster joined the Doom Patrol as Beast Boy.

When the Doom Patrol were [illegible] by two of their arch enemies, [illegible] and General Zahl, [illegible] the [illegible] population of a small New England fishing village. Believed killed in the blast, Elasti-Girl returned years later [illegible] in the Doom Patrol. PJ

ELEMENT GIRL

First appearance METAMORPHO #10 (February 1967)
Status Hero **Real name** Urania "Rainie" Blackwell
Occupation Former U.S. government agent **Base** Mobile
Height 5ft 10in **Weight** 142 lbs **Eyes** Black **Hair** Green
Special powers/abilities Could shapeshift and transform into any combination of chemical elements.

Element Girl lived a sad life transformed into a freak and then abandoned by those [illegible] loved. Many years ago [illegible] Blackwell had been [illegible] working for the U.S. government who volunteered [illegible] expose herself to the same [illegible] of Ra radiation that [illegible] transformed Rex Mason [illegible] METAMORPHO the [illegible] Man. The process worked—although Rainie's [illegible] misshapen, she could shift [illegible] all. She took the alias of [illegible] with Metamorpho on several [illegible] the globe and falling in love. However she [illegible] by Metamorpho, and [illegible] on her government agency [illegible] had no further use for her. Despairing, Rainie tried to live quietly in retirement but because of her hideous appearance couldn't bear to leave her apartment. She tried to commit suicide on several occasions but her body's natural defenses made this impossible.

Element Girl ultimately received a visit from DEATH who helped Rainie to make peace with herself and finally depart her mortal life. DW

ELEMENT LAD

First appearance ADVENTURE COMICS #307 (April 1963)
Status Villain (deceased) **Real name** Jan Arrah
Occupation Legionnaire **Base** 30th-century Earth
Height 5ft 5in **Weight** 140 lbs **Eyes** Blue **Hair** Blond
Special powers/abilities Could transmute any element into any other by using his mental powers to change its chemical makeup; could transmute his own body into any element; could even create life.

Jan Arrah was born [illegible] the latter half of the 30th century. With the ability [illegible] literally anything, [illegible] Trommites were among the most powerful beings in the galaxy. The fear this engendered in others [illegible] genocide of all Trommites save one [illegible] Jan Arrah joined the LEGION OF SUPER-HEROES as Element Lad, able to [illegible] change the chemical structure [illegible] object as long as he made physical contact. His powers made him one [illegible] the Legion's heavy hitters, yet he disdained fighting and maintained a quiet, spiritual demeanor. He often remained aloof from his fellow Legionnaires, declining to discuss his personal life, though he did go [illegible] one date with his teammate Triplicate Girl (see TRIAD). Element Lad participated in the battles that [illegible] back a Dominator invasion [illegible] intent on conquering Earth. PJ

ELONGATED MAN

First appearance THE FLASH (1st series) #112 (May 1960)
Status Hero **Real name** Ralph Dibny
Occupation Detective **Base** Mobile
Height 6ft 1in **Weight** 178 lbs **Eyes** Blue **Hair** Red
Special powers/abilities Consuming a Gingold extract every few days renders him super-elasticable to stretch or contort any portion of his body; brilliant deductive mind.

[illegible] Sue Dibny [illegible] life [illegible] through [illegible] and the demon [illegible] villains [illegible] SB

Elastic fantastic [illegible] Ralph felt [illegible] Gingold ex[illegible] when he [illegible] beneath a falling [illegible] his arm [illegible]

Flexible friend Ralph Dibny and Barry Allen [illegible] were fast friends [illegible] several [illegible]

Devotion Ralph and [illegible] Doctor Light [illegible]

EMPRESS

First appearance YOUNG JUSTICE #16 (January 2000)
Status Hero **Real name** Anita Fite
Occupation Adventurer **Base** Mobile
Height 5ft 7in **Weight** 127 lbs **Eyes** Brown **Hair** Purple
Special powers/abilities Teleportation, mental control, and top notch physical conditioning; skilled with most weapons.

[illegible] DW

ENCHANTRESS

First appearance STRANGE ADVENTURES #187 (April 1966)
Status Undecided **Real name** June Moone
Occupation Freelance artist/adventurer/criminal **Base** Mobile
Height 5ft 6in **Weight** 130 lbs
Eyes Blue (green as Enchantress) **Hair** Black (as Enchantress)
Special powers/abilities Could animate objects, alter her own appearance and levitate; mystic tricks once concealed in her hat.

[illegible] Riverrock, Wyoming. SB

ENDLESS, THE

First appearance SANDMAN (2nd series) #21 (November 1990)
Status Inapplicable **Base** Various astral realms
Members and Powers
Destiny Chained to his Eternity Book, which records everything that has or will ever happen.
Death Takes each being in the universe to their final resting place.
Dream Ruler of the Dreaming, where all minds are linked.
Desire Androgynous brother/sister in every sentient being's desire.
Despair Pours despair into mortal souls.
Destruction Governs transformation and change.
Delirium Mistress of the mentally disturbed.

[illegible] PJ

ENCANTADORA

First appearance ACTION COMICS #760 (December 1999)
Status Villain **Real name** Lourdes Lucero
Occupation Enchantress **Base** Metropolis
Height 5ft 7in **Weight** 133 lbs **Eyes** Brown **Hair** Brown
Special powers/abilities A mystical vial she wears on her necklace contains the Mist of Bello, which allows her to teleport, magically charm and control the minds of others, and telekinetically move objects with her mind.

Lourdes Lucero's archaeologist father was driven mad searching for the magical Mist of Bello. After his death Lourdes [illegible] power to [illegible] for her [illegible]

La Encantadora used to trick a number of [illegible] into buying fake goods [illegible] Superman. The Man of Steel followed [illegible] and Encantadora offered [illegible] cure in exchange for [illegible]. Superman's [illegible] began to succumb to radiation poisoning [illegible] kryptonite. Horrified, Encantadora [illegible] wife Lois (see Lane, Lois) that her husband [illegible] the Man of Steel with kryptonite [illegible] S.T.A.R. Labs physician [illegible] Ra's al Ghul, then [illegible] father. He hoped to take [illegible] Lazarus pit in order to [illegible] Superman's help, she [illegible] escaped his clutches. After [illegible] Superman learned [illegible] est foes, had [illegible] with the [illegible] killed him. PJ

Charmer Superman [illegible]

ENEMY ACE

First appearance OUR ARMY AT WAR #151 (February 1965)
Status Unresolved **Real name** Hans von Hammer
Occupation Pilot **Base** Germany
Height 5ft 11in **Weight** 161 lbs **Eyes** Blue **Hair** Auburn
Special powers/abilities One of the greatest natural pilots ever seen

[illegible] Hans von [illegible] Hammer [illegible] in 1915 [illegible] engaged in [illegible] Muller and [illegible]. An exceptional flyer, von Hammer [illegible] of his own [illegible] among Allied forces as the Enemy Ace. During the course of the war he had over 70 kills to his credit; however he took no joy in performing this duty. A solitary man, when not flying von Hammer returned to his home, wandering the nearby Black Forest, with his only companion, a wolf.

During World War II, von Hammer was persuaded out of retirement to fight on Nazi Germany's behalf on the Russian front. He crashed his plane in [illegible] and, before escaping back to his base, saw the horrors that Germany had inflicted on the Russian people there. After witnessing the atrocities at the Nazi concentration camp at Dachau in 1945, a shaken Hans von Hammer surrendered himself and his men to SERGEANT ROCK and Easy Company.

By the 1960s, the great von Hammer was broken [illegible] and confined to a German care facility. The former ace spent his last days confiding his experiences to reporter and Vietnam veteran Edward Mannock, thereby bringing himself a measure of peace before he died. Some time later, [illegible] BATMAN. RG

SOLITARY MAN
[illegible]

ACE HIGH
[illegible]

ERADICATOR

First appearance ACTION COMICS #693 (November 1993)
Status Ally **Real name** Dr. David Connor
Occupation Preserver of Kryptonian heritage **Base** Mobile
Height 6ft 5in **Weight** 225 lbs **Eyes** Red **Hair** Grey
Special powers/abilities Flight, super strength, heat vision, can project and control various energy types, extremely difficult to kill

The Eradicator [illegible] Kryptonian [illegible] Krypton [illegible] thousands of years [illegible] incredible thinking [illegible] Kryptonian [illegible] both SUPERMAN [illegible] Solitude and attempt [illegible] Earth [illegible] Krypton [illegible] Superman [illegible] the Man of Steel's death at the hands of DOOMSDAY.

The Eradicator brought Superman back [illegible] Fortress of Solitude and [illegible] with Kryptonian technology allowing Earth's greatest hero to [illegible]. The Cyborg Superman [illegible] destroyed the Eradicator but [illegible] survived by bonding with the body of S.T.A.R. Labs scientist Dr. David Connor. Although Connor [illegible] partially in control [illegible] of the Eradicator [illegible] the [illegible] of Superman's shattered Fortress of Solitude [illegible] destroyed [illegible] a huge [illegible] Connor [illegible] merged with the titanic [illegible] and flew off into space. The Eradicator later returned to Earth [illegible] that Connor had lost [illegible] his sanity. During [illegible] DW

EVIL STAR

First appearance GREEN LANTERN (2nd series) #37 (June 1965)
Status Villain **Real name** Unknown
Occupation Would-be intergalactic conqueror **Base** Planet Aoral
Height 6ft 1in **Weight** 205 lbs **Eyes** Blue **Hair** Blond
Special powers/abilities Star-band can create solid objects, fire energy blasts, and generate a protective shield

[illegible] all [illegible] his [illegible] [illegible] the [illegible] Aoral [illegible] the life of [illegible] However [illegible] [illegible] Star would [illegible] [illegible] the Star-band [illegible] powerful as [illegible] Star [illegible] [illegible] Starlings [illegible] super strength [illegible] [illegible] DW

Extreme Justice 1) [illegible] **2)** Captain Atom **3)** [illegible] **4)** Booster Gold **5)** Blue Beetle

EXTREME JUSTICE

First appearance EXTREME JUSTICE #0 (January 1995)
Status Hero team (disbanded) **Base** Mount Thunder, Nevada
Original members and powers
Captain Atom Atomic-based powers via connection to quantum field
Amazing Man II Can transform himself into any material he touches
Blue Beetle Utilizes a variety of high-tech gadgets in his arsenal
Booster Gold Superb athlete with futuristic exo-armor
Firestorm Has ability to atomically restructure any inorganic material
Maxima Superstrong and cunning alien warrior queen.

Captain Atom's frustration with the leadership of the Justice League of America led him to form a splinter group that claimed the Justice League name but was known as "Extreme Justice" for its more proactive stance on combating evil. This Extreme Justice League took the fight to its foes rather than react to threats. Later, alien shape-shifters and runaway slaves Zan and Jayna were added to Extreme Justice's role call, based in an abandoned military complex within Mount Thunder, Nevada. Extreme Justice's status as a hero team, however, was short-lived. The group's most notable adventure was a conflict with the Legion of Doom, a team of villains that included Brainwave II, a robotic duplicate of Gorilla Grodd, Hellgrammite, Killer Frost II, a resurrected Major Force, and the Madmen. After capturing the [illegible] Extreme Justice later disbanded, with its heroes going their separate ways, many returning to some capacity of membership with the "official" Justice League. SB

EXTANT

First appearance SHOWCASE '94 #9 (August 1994)
Status Villain **Real name** Henry (Hank) Hall
Occupation Would-be world conqueror **Base** Mobile
Height 6ft 1in **Weight** 197 lbs **Eyes** Brown **Hair** Brown
Special powers/abilities Armor gives superhuman strength and invulnerability; some ability to control time.

Hank Hall [illegible] Hawk [illegible] were experiment[illegible] behalf of the [illegible] and Chaos [illegible] and operating as Hawk [illegible] Dove. When [illegible] Hank went berserk [illegible] arrival of Dawn [illegible] the new Dove [illegible] but when [illegible] killed by his own [illegible] madness, Hank [illegible] [illegible] Hank [illegible] self as a [illegible] times [illegible] known as Monarch [illegible] eventually beat [illegible] Hank [illegible] [illegible] Monarch's armor and time [illegible] renaming himself Extant. The [illegible] time-control powers [illegible] [illegible] to affect the speed [illegible] person. On repeated [illegible] Earth on his own terms, only to be stopped by [illegible] combinations of heroes, notably the Justice Society of America. Extant was responsible for the deaths of [illegible] Mid-Nite, the Atom, and Hourman. In addition [illegible] Atom Smasher's mother by absorbing their [illegible] energies so that they reverted to their natural ages. He was finally stopped when Atom-Smasher placed Extant in a doomed airplane in place of his mother, closing a time loop and ending Extant's threat. RG

EXTREMISTS, THE

First appearance (Extremists I) JUSTICE LEAGUE EUROPE #15 (June 1990) (Extremists II) JUSTICE LEAGUE AMERICA #78 (August 1993)
Status Villain team **Base** Earth 8
Members and powers
Lord Havok I Team leader; his battlesuit can mutate into anything Havoc needs
Lord Havok II An identity used briefly by Maxwell Lord
Doctor Diehard Can control magnetism
Dreamslayer Can manipulate matter and teleport
Gorgon II Grappling tentacles grow from his head
Tracer Has superhuman senses and razor-sharp teeth and claws
Brute Invulnerable and superstrong
Cloudburst Ability to control weather
Death Angel Illusion casting
Gunshot Has a superpowered battlesuit with offensive weaponry
Moonstreak Can transform objects into energy projectiles
Barracuda (deceased) Can breathe underwater and communicate with [illegible]

[illegible] PJ

The Extremists 1) Dreamslayer **2)** Doctor Diehard **3)** Gorgon II **4)** Lord Havok II **5)** Tracer

FAIRCHILD, VESPER

FIRST APPEARANCE BATMAN #540 (March 1997)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Vesper Fairchild
OCCUPATION Radio personality/journalist **BASE** Gotham City
HEIGHT 5ft 7in **WEIGHT** 126 lbs **EYES** Green **HAIR** Auburn
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES No special powers; thorough and highly skilled investigative reporter

Host of WKGC Talk Radio's "Sirens of the Night" broadcast, Vesper Fairchild enjoyed a brief romance with billionaire Bruce Wayne before Gotham City was devastated by the earthquake that left it a lawless No Man's Land. In her new career as a journalist, Vesper returned to the rebuilt city and rekindled her relationship with Wayne while investigating his alter ego, BATMAN. Unfortunately, Vesper was killed in Wayne Manor by the assassin CAIN (David Cain), shortly after learning that Wayne and the Dark Knight were one and the same. Bruce Wayne was framed for Vesper's murder, but was exonerated upon discovering that real mogul Lex Luthor (see LUTHOR, LEX) had hired Cain to [illegible] Wayne. SB

FAITH

FIRST APPEARANCE JLA #69 (October 2002)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Unrevealed
OCCUPATION Adventurer **BASE** Mobile
HEIGHT 5ft 10in **WEIGHT** 148 lbs **EYES** Brown **HAIR** Brown
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Capable of flight; commands powerful telekinetic energy; unconsciously inspires trust in those around her

Faith was previously the employee of a secret branch of the U.S. government's black-ops team, but the nature of her role is unknown. Nicknamed the "Fat Lady" by her teammates, it is likely that she was called in to finish what other operatives had started. Whether Faith's ties to her former employers have been completely severed remains to be seen. Faith has telekinetic powers and has shown only a fraction of her abilities. She also [illegible] vibrations that help those around her [illegible] calm and confident. As a result, anyone who meets her instinctively trusts her. [illegible] claims to have met BATMAN on a [illegible] mission during which they spent some time together. She answered Batman's call when the creation of a "contingency League" was required during the Obsidian Age mission, when the JUSTICE LEAGUE OF AMERICA had traveled 3,000 years back in time to Atlantis to rescue AQUAMAN, and the present-day Atlanteans were losing the war against IMPERIEX. She earned Batman's confidence and [illegible] not only considered her for JLA membership but shared some personal insights with her as well. RG

FAORA

FIRST APPEARANCE (historical) ACTION COMICS #471 (May 1977); (current) ACTION COMICS #779 (July 2001)
REAL NAME Unknown **BASE** Pokolistan
HEIGHT 5ft 7in **WEIGHT** 150 lbs **EYES** Brown **HAIR** Brown
OCCUPATION Enforcer **STATUS** Villain
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES A cyborg who has the power to disrupt molecular bonds in others, causing powerful explosions; flight

The first Faora was a trusted lieutenant of General Zod of Krypton, a powerful female fighter and the ideological and physical adversary of Jor-El, SUPERMAN's father. Faora and fellow lieutenant Kru-El took control of Zod's forces after his death at Jor-El's hands. Faora and Kru-El died while battling Kryptonian extremists, but their DNA was merged to create a clone of Zod, who was raised as if he were the General's son.

The third Faora was an orphan in the Russian Federation's meta-human development [illegible]. The teenaged girl, a cyborg, was [illegible] by General Zod and renamed [illegible] after his slain Kryptonian [illegible], becoming his most reliable assistant and second in command. After altering the [illegible] radiation and stripping [illegible] the metagene powers [illegible] heroes, Zod [illegible] battle with the Man [illegible] and Faora was left [illegible] damage before being taken into custody. PJ

FASTBAK

FIRST APPEARANCE THE NEW GODS (1st series) #5 (October 1971)
STATUS Hero (deceased) **REAL NAME** None
OCCUPATION Inventor/balladeer **BASE** New Genesis
HEIGHT 6ft 1in **WEIGHT** 197 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Reddish blond
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Aeropods in boots enable superspeed flight; resistant to friction and the effects of high velocity travel

One of the New Gods of the planet New Genesis, the hotrod Fastbak [illegible] his ability to travel at tremendous speed [illegible] he invented for his boots. Often he [illegible] the harbinger of death known as the BLACK RACER, as well as a phalanx of Apokoliptian Parademons [illegible] the life of fellow New God and friend Esak. [illegible] Fastbak is an accomplished singer and composer of ballads. Fastbak's speed could not save him when [illegible] came to the Fourth World. He numbered among the casualties during the Death of the New Gods event, his soul stripped from his body [illegible]. SB

FASTBALL

FIRST APPEARANCE JUSTICE LEAGUE OF AMERICA #234 (January 1985)
STATUS Villain (missing in action) **REAL NAME** Malone (first name unknown) **OCCUPATION** Assassin **BASE** Detroit
HEIGHT 5ft 11in **WEIGHT** 185 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Unknown
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Super-fast reflexes and speed; prefers to strike from a distance, hurling explosives

Recruited [illegible] by the then OVERMASTER, Fastball's background is unknown. He joined the OVERMASTER's CADRE, training with them for weeks before being unleashed against the JUSTICE LEAGUE OF AMERICA. Preferring to pitch explosives than go hand-to-hand against opponents, Fastball has proven a not terribly bright criminal. Clearly a would-be baseball pitcher, Fastball's skill seem under-developed, making him an easy target for the League. [illegible] the Cadre later became affiliated [illegible] and suffered defeat at the hands of the [illegible] super team POWER COMPANY. Fastball apparently died at the hands of an OMAC unit prior to the Infinite Crisis. RG

FATALITY

FIRST APPEARANCE GREEN LANTERN (3rd series) #83 (February 1997)
STATUS Villain **REAL NAME** Yrra Cynril
OCCUPATION Assassin **BASE** The planet Kanshi
HEIGHT 5ft 9in **WEIGHT** 124 lbs **EYES** Brown **HAIR** Black
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES One of the most skilled martial artists and weapons masters in the galaxy

The [illegible] eldest of the royal family [illegible] planet Xanshi, Yrra Cynril was sent by her parents to study with the legendary Warlords of Okaara. While Yrra was training with the Warlords, becoming a master of martial arts and other combat, Xanshi was accidentally destroyed by the arrogance of GREEN LANTERN John Stewart. When Yrra learned of this she vowed vengeance on the entire GREEN LANTERN CORPS.

As Fatality, Yrra traveled the galaxy murdering former Green Lanterns. Traveling to Earth, Fatality tried to kill Kyle Rayner, the last Green Lantern. Their battle took them to a distant planet, where Fatality learned from Rayner that Stewart was responsible for Xanshi's destruction. Fatality has served with the SECRET SOCIETY OF SUPER VILLAINS and the INJUSTICE LEAGUE, while carving out an interstellar career as a bounty hunter. PJ

DEATH DEALER Fatality [illegible]

FATAL FIVE

FIRST APPEARANCE Adventure Comics #352 (January 1967)
STATUS Villain team **BASE** Mobile
MEMBERS AND POWERS
Emerald Empress Vast powers stemming from the Emerald Eye
Tharok Cyborg strength and enhanced intellect
Mano Can disintegrate with his touch
The Persuader Carries an atomic ax
Validus Super-strength and invulnerability

EARLY CLASH *The Fatal Five often battled the Legion*

FORCE FIVE *Mutual mistrust hinders the team, but their powers can be terrifying when combined. Brainiac 13 employed copies of the Fatal Five to protect his Warworld when venturing back into the 21st century.*

THE MEMBERS OF THE FATAL FIVE comprise some of the worst criminals of the late 30th century. Together, they are an almost unstoppable force for mayhem and murder. Their violent tendencies landed them behind bars long before anyone conceived the idea of a Fatal Five super-team. **THAROK** was a half-cyborg whose body had been reconstructed following a terrible accident; his electronically-amplified brain made him a brilliant strategist and leader Empress' true name was Saryva of Vengar, and she delighted in destruction and pain. Mano was a mutant whose glowing right hand could disintegrate anything it touched; he used this power to destroy his polluted homeworld of Angtu. The Persuader carried an atomic ax that could slice through anything and shared he a psychic link with the weapon. Validus was a an invulnerable colossus of staggering strength.

THE WARMAKER

In one version of reality, the Fatal Five came into being when Earth's President Chu ordered their formation in order to spark a war. The Fatal Five soon came into conflict with the Legionnaires, triggering a fierce battle that ended in victory thanks to the involvement of the Legion Rescue Squad. The Legion executed a sting operation to prove President Chu's complicity in the affair.

The U.P. Council removed Chu from office and industrialist R.J. Brande (*see* **BRANDE, R.J.**) became president in her wake. Later, the Empress bonded to the all-powerful artifact known as the Emerald Eye of Ekron, becoming the Emerald Empress. She freed the others and led the Fatal Five into other clashes with the Legion, including a hijacking of the Legion Outpost and a scuffle with new Legionnaire **TIMBER WOLF**.

As an odd side note to Fatal Five history, the tyrant **BRAINIAC 13** generated hard-light images of the team as guards for *his* Warworld when he traveled back in time to the 21st century.

Another version of the Fatal Five time-travelled to the modern era from the 31st century, threatening both **BATMAN** and the new **BLUE BEETLE** in their pursuit of a valuable relic. **DW**

VALIDUS
The powerhouse of the Fatal Five is a simple-minded giant largely under the control of Tharok. His bolts of mental lightning are powerful enough to fry Kryptonians and Daxamites.

THE FATAL FIVE 1) *Mano* **2)** *Persuader* **3)** *Validus* **4)** *Tharok* **5)** *Emerald Empress*

KEY STORYLINES

- **LEGION OF SUPER-HEROES #34 (APRIL 1996)** The Fatal Five battle the Legion of Super-Heroes in the first Fatal Five storyline to appear in the new Legion chronology.
- **SUPERMAN #171 (AUGUST 2001)** A duplicate Fatal Five squares off against the Man of Steel, providing a yardstick for measuring the team's considerable might.
- **THE LEGION #16 (MARCH 2003)** New Legionnaire Timber Wolf receives a baptism of fire as he is forced to [illegible] might of the Fatal Five.

FATHER TIME

First appearance SEVEN SOLDIERS: FRANKENSTEIN #3 (April 2006)
Status Villain **Real Name** Unknown
Occupation Director of S.H.A.D.E. **Base** Washington D.C.
Height Variable **Weight** Variable **Eyes** Variable **Hair** Variable
Special powers/abilities Apparently immortal; is able to regenerate inside new bodies.

I WANT YOU FOR U.S. ARMY

[illegible] World War II [illegible]

[illegible] DW

FAUST, FELIX

First appearance JUSTICE LEAGUE OF AMERICA (1st series) #[illegible] (March 1962)
Status Villain **Real name** Felix Faust
Occupation Sorcerer **Base** Mobile
Height 5ft 11in **Weight** 172 lbs **Eyes** Brown **Hair** Brown
Special powers/abilities Vast talents in spellcasting; great knowledge of the occult; experienced at summoning demonic entities.

[illegible] DW

FEARSOME FIVE, THE

First appearance NEW TEEN TITANS (1st series) #3 (January 1981)
Status Villain team (disbanded) **Base** Mobile
Original members and powers
Doctor Light I (leader) Telekinetic and telepathic abilities.
Psimon Vast mental powers.
Shimmer (deceased) Able to change one element into another.
Mammoth Shimmer's brother; superhuman strength.
Gizmo Turns random objects into tools or weapons.

[illegible] RG

The Fearsome Five
1) [illegible] **2)** Mammoth **3)** Psimon
4) Shimmer **5)** Doctor Light

Fury force
1) Lashina **2)** Stompa **3)** [illegible]
4) Mad Harriet **5)** Bernadeth
6) [illegible] **7)** Bloody Mary **8)** [illegible]
9) Speed Queen **10)** Malice Vundabarr

FEMALE FURIES

First appearance MISTER MIRACLE (1st series) #6 (February 1972)
Status Villain team **Base** Apokolips
Current members and powers
Bernadeth (leader) Carries burning fahren knife.
Lashina Wields flexible steel bands.
Mad Harriet Has energized power spikes on her fists.
Stompa Wears heavy matter boots that can crush anything and trigger earthquakes.
Artemiz Commands cybernetic wolfpack; a skilled archer.
Gilotina Hands that can cut through anything.
Bloody Mary Vampire with mesmerism powers.
Speed Queen Can move at superspeed on roller blades.
Malice Vundabarr Young girl who controls Chessure.
Chessure Shadow monster.

[illegible]

FERRO

First appearance ADVENTURES OF SUPERMAN #540 (November 1996)
Status Hero **Real name** Andrew Nolan
Occupation Legionnaire **Base** Legion World, U.P. Space
Height 5ft 7in **Weight** 155 lbs **Eyes** Green **Hair** Brown
Special powers/abilities Formerly able to transform himself into flexible and impervious iron; now trapped in metal form.

[illegible]

[illegible] SB

Iron mask [illegible]

Fever pitch Fever had no real [illegible] her power or the [illegible] guidance in the use [illegible] skill [illegible] until the [illegible] version [illegible] Doom Patrol.

FEVER

First appearance DOOM PATROL (3rd series) #1 (December 2001)
Status Hero (missing) **Real name** Shyleen Lao
Occupation Adventurer **Base** New York City
Height 5ft 5in **Weight** 134 lbs **Eyes** Brown **Hair** Blonde
Special powers/abilities Can generate intense heat over short distances, to superheat a gun in a criminal's hands or soften metal to break or reshape; exact limits of her power are unknown.

[illegible] RG

FILM FREAK

First appearance BATMAN #395 (May 1986)
Status Villain **Real name** Burt Weston, aka "Edison"
Occupation Psychopathic criminal **Base** Gotham City
Height 5ft 11in **Weight** 175 lbs **Eyes** Brown **Hair** Black
Special powers/abilities Photographic memory for cinema; gift for imaginative crime.

[illegible] DW

FIRE

First appearance DC COMICS PRESENTS #46 (June 1982)
Status Hero **Real name** Beatriz Bonilla DaCosta
Occupation Former spy, model, and adventurer; webcam star
Base New York City
Height 5ft 8in **Weight** 140 lbs **Eyes** Green **Hair** Green
Special powers/abilities Can transform into a being of living green fire; projection of green flame blasts; power of flight.

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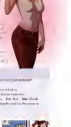
[illegible] PJ



Fiery [illegible]

FIREBIRD

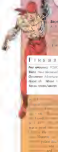
First appearance FIRESTORM, THE NUCLEAR MAN #69 (March 1989)
Status Hero **Real name** Serafina Arkadina
Occupation Adventurer **Base** Russian Federation
Height 5ft 3in **Weight** 122 lbs **Eyes** Blue **Hair** Blonde
Special powers/abilities She is telepathic and has the power to hypnotize people.

[illegible] PJ

Telepathic [illegible]

FIREBRAND II

FIRST APPEARANCE ALL-STAR SQUADRON #5 (January 1982)
STATUS Hero (deceased) **REAL NAME** Danette Reilly
OCCUPATION Adventurer **BASE** New York City
HEIGHT 5ft 5in **WEIGHT** 120 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Red
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Generated fire from hands; mental discipline prevented the fire burning her body or clothing, even absorbing it into her body; power of flight.



BROTHER AND SISTER [illegible]

FIREBRAND I

FIRST APPEARANCE POLICE COMICS #1 (August 1941)
STATUS Hero (deceased) **REAL NAME** Rod Reilly
OCCUPATION Adventurer **BASE** New York City
HEIGHT 6ft **WEIGHT** 185 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Brown
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Superb athlete and boxer

[illegible] was a [illegible] He [illegible] Danette [illegible] was [illegible] and [illegible] to battle [illegible] and when [illegible]

[illegible] during [illegible] FIREBRAND [illegible] Firebrand II, [illegible] STAR SQUADRON [illegible] mentored [illegible] when [illegible] joined [illegible] During her [illegible] fell in love with the [illegible] KNIGHT. They married, the latter [illegible] the adoptive mother [illegible] Rodstein, future [illegible] of the A [illegible] Danette was [illegible] tally killed, probably [illegible] Kin [illegible] one [illegible] the All-Star [illegible] Knight avenged.

FIREHAIR

FIRST APPEARANCE SHOWCASE #85 (September 1969)
STATUS Hero (deceased) **REAL NAME** Unknown
OCCUPATION Warrior **BASE** Great Western Plains, circa 1820
HEIGHT 5ft 10in **WEIGHT** 188 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Red
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Daring fighter; expert horseman and marksman, especially with bow and arrow.

[illegible] SB

FIREBRAND III

FIRST APPEARANCE FIREBRAND #1 (February 1996)
STATUS Hero (deceased) **REAL NAME** Alexander "Alex" Sanchez
OCCUPATION Adventurer **BASE** New York City
HEIGHT 6ft **WEIGHT** 188 lbs **EYES** Brown **HAIR** Black
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES High-tech suit enhanced strength and enabled discharge of fiery energy bolts.

[illegible]

[illegible] SB

FIREFLY

FIRST APPEARANCE DETECTIVE COMICS #184 (June 1952)
STATUS Villain **REAL NAME** Garfield Lynns
OCCUPATION Arsonist **BASE** Gotham City
HEIGHT 5ft 11in **WEIGHT** 167 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** White with black temples
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Insulated battlesuit equipped with flamethrower, grenade launchers, and wings that allow flight.

[illegible] PJ

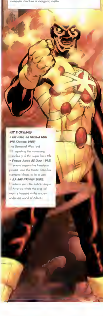
FIREHAWK

FIRST APPEARANCE FURY OF FIRESTORM #17 (October 1983)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Lorraine Reilly
OCCUPATION Adventurer **BASE** New York City
HEIGHT 5ft 7in **WEIGHT** 126 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** (Lorraine) Red
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Makes objects burst into flame; her hair and parts of her body seem to be on fire, but the fire does not harm her; can fly at great speed.

[illegible] RG

FIRESTORM, THE NUCLEAR MAN

FIRST APPEARANCE [illegible] FIRESTORM (2nd series) #1 (July 2004)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Jason Rusch
OCCUPATION Student **BASE** Detroit, Michigan
HEIGHT 5ft 10in **WEIGHT** 165 lbs **EYES** Brown **HAIR** Black
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Flight; can rearrange the atomic and molecular structure of inorganic matter.



KEY STORYLINES
- ***FIRESTORM, THE NUCLEAR MAN* #90 (OCTOBER 1989)**: The Elemental Wars [illegible] signaling the increasing complexity of this super hero title
- ***EXTREME JUSTICE* #5 (JUNE 1995)**: [illegible] regains his Firestorm powers, and the Martin Stein fire elemental drops in for a visit
- ***JLA* #69 (OCTOBER 2002)**: Firestorm joins the Justice League of America while the original team is trapped in the ancient undersea world of Atlantis

UNDERSTANDING THE HERO FIRESTORM [illegible] straightforward proposition. Brought into [illegible] two individuals, Firestorm later went through a number of alternate fusions whereby varied combinations of people united to create a single champion. The original Firestorm came about when college student Ronnie Raymond and physics professor Martin Stein fused into one superpowered "nuclear man" in an explosion at the Hudson nuclear facility. In their flame-topped Firestorm form, the two could fly and rearrange matter at the molecular level. Ron remained in control of Firestorm, while Martin hitchhiked along as a disembodied consciousness and took an advisory role, his scientific brain providing the complex atomic calculations needed for Firestorm's advanced powers.

MARTIN STEIN [illegible]

FROST AND FIRE [illegible]

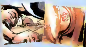
ELEMENTAL WARFARE

Operating out of Pittsburgh, Ro[illegible] against the likes of Killer Frost [illegible] Black Bison. The Russian hero Pozhar [illegible] Firestorm above the Nevada desert. Wh[illegible] the two [illegible] Ronnie and Pozhar [illegible] Firestorm, controlled by the [illegible] Martin Stein. This Firestorm eventually [illegible] became Earth's fire elemental. [illegible] about Ronnie and Pozhar had apparently been [illegible] in the Earth spirit's master plan. After [illegible] involvement in an elemental war involving Swamp Thing (earth), Naiad (water), and Red Tornado (air) [illegible] another Russian [illegible] Firestorm [illegible] personalities to become the [illegible] Firestorm elemental [illegible] Martin Stein alone.

[illegible] the Firestorm saga, Ron Raymond [illegible] the Firestorm powers had been written into his genetic [illegible] Extreme Justice and the [illegible] of America. [illegible] Ron Raymond [illegible] and [illegible] Jason Rusch.

[illegible] limitless abilities [illegible] Martin Stein [illegible] from the [illegible] DW

ART PUPIL [illegible] guilty [illegible] built on Pozhar



BURNING UP [illegible] powers [illegible] now the [illegible] team [illegible] named [illegible] emerged as [illegible] reflection of the [illegible] side

THE FLASH

THE SCARLET SPEEDSTER

JASON PETER "JAY" GARRICK (FLASH I)
FIRST APPEARANCE FLASH COMICS #1 (January 1940)
STATUS Hero **OCCUPATION** Research scientist
BASE Keystone City **HEIGHT** 5ft 11in **WEIGHT** 178 lbs
EYES Blue **HAIR** Brown with gray temples
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Can run at near lightspeed; can vibrate his molecules and pass right through objects; ages at a far slower pace than most human beings.

BARTHOLOMEW "BARRY" ALLEN (FLASH II)
FIRST APPEARANCE SHOWCASE #4 (October 1956)
STATUS Hero (deceased) **OCCUPATION** Police chemist
BASE Central City **HEIGHT** 5ft 11in **WEIGHT** 179 lbs
EYES Blue **HAIR** Blond
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Could run at near lightspeed; could also pass through objects or phase into other dimensions.

WALLACE "WALLY" WEST (FLASH III)
FIRST APPEARANCE (as Kid Flash) THE FLASH (1st series) #110 (January 1960); (as the Flash) CRISIS ON INFINITE EARTHS #12 (March 1986)
STATUS Hero **OCCUPATION** Adventurer **BASE** Keystone City
HEIGHT 6ft **WEIGHT** 175 lbs **EYES** Green **HAIR** Red
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Can run at lightspeed; can vibrate through solid objects causing them to explode; can lend his speed to moving objects or people by touch; can form a protective costume from "living" Speed Force; traveling faster than lightspeed will hurl him across interdimensional timespace.

THEY HAVE BEEN CALLED the Fastest Men Alive: three generations of super heroes granted the power to tap into the extradimensional energy field called the Speed Force by a scientific experiment gone awry. Each hero named himself the Flash and became the progenitor of an age of champions, perpetuating a legacy of courage and valor that extends to [illegible] century and beyond.

FASTER THAN A [illegible]

NO TIME TO LOSE [illegible]

JAY GARRICK

A failed college football player in the 1930s, Jay Garrick became a research scientist. By accidentally inhaling the hyper-charged atoms of a radioactive liquid, Garrick gained incredible superspeed. Garbed in a red and blue uniform, Garrick became the Flash and helped form the legendary Justice Society of America and the wartime All-Star Squadron. Forced into retirement during the McCarthy era in the 1950s, Garrick was placed in suspended animation by the villain the Fiddler but was rescued by Barry Allen, the second Flash. Spared the ravages of old age, Garrick married his girlfriend Joan Williams and briefly retired, but he returned to active duty with the most recent incarnation of the JSA.

SLOW POKE [illegible] Barry Allen was a [illegible] plodding [illegible] constantly late. When [illegible] by chemicals, however, he gained the power of superspeed, becoming the second Flash.

BARRY ALLEN

Slowpoke police chemist Barry Allen idolized Jay Garrick, the super hero Flash. During a late-night at the police station laboratory, a bolt of lightning crashed through the window and shattered the stack of chemicals surrounding Allen. Suddenly imbued with the power to move at near lightspeed, Barry took on the name of his Golden Age idol the Flash and, along with Green Lantern Hal Jordan and Aquaman, helped usher in the Silver Age of heroes.

As the Flash, Allen was one of the founders of the Justice League of America. When his fiancée, Iris (see Allen, Iris), was apparently slain by the Reverse Flash, Allen killed his hated foe. After a lengthy trial, the Flash retired to the 30th century, where he wed the Tornado twins. Tragically, Allen died saving the Earth from the nihilistic Anti-Monitor (see Great Battles, pp. 362–3) by destroying his antimatter cannon aimed directly at the planet.

ZOOM The name of Zoom has long haunted the Flash family. [illegible] Zoom was responsible [illegible] Flash's wife, Linda Park, [illegible] carrying their twins.

FLASH OF LIGHT [illegible] Flash Barry Allen [illegible] Lantern Hal Jordan [illegible] friend who [illegible] the legendary Justice League of America [illegible] [illegible] friend. [illegible]

THE DEATH OF BARRY ALLEN

Learning that his wife, Iris, was saved from death at the hands of Professor Zoom by a "psychic transplant" to the future into another body, the Flash traveled forward in time to be with her. Tragically, their happiness [illegible] when the Flash was kidnapped by the Anti-Monitor, who planned to use a giant antimatter cannon to destroy the [illegible]. [illegible] faster than ever before, the Flash escaped the Anti-Monitor's [illegible] and destroyed the cannon. Allen's body [illegible], but his energies [illegible] time and became the lightning [illegible] that shattered the [illegible] that [illegible] Barry Allen [illegible].

KEY STORYLINES

- **GOLDEN AGE FLASH ARCHIVES:** The original adventures of Jay Garrick, the first Flash, during the 1940s.
- **THE FLASH (1ST SERIES) #123 (SEPTEMBER 1961):** Barry Allen meets his Golden Age namesake for the first time.
- **CRISIS ON INFINITE EARTHS (P/B, 2000):** Barry Allen makes the greatest sacrifice to save the universe from the marauding Anti-Monitor, and Wally West becomes the third Flash!
- **TERMINAL VELOCITY (P/B, 1995):** The Flashes learn that they are attached to the Speed Force, an ancient power.

WALLY WEST

The young nephew [illegible] Wally West was visiting [illegible] when a bolt of [illegible] rack of chemicals in the room. The chemicals spilled [illegible] duplicated the same accident that created the second Flash. [illegible] the first Kid Flash, the junior partner of the Flash, and founded the Teen Titans with the first Robin (see Nightwing), Aqualad (see Tempest), Speedy (see Arsenal) and Wonder Girl. After Barry Allen died saving the universe, Kid Flash assumed his costume and identity.

MAGIC RING [illegible]

THE SPEED FORCE

As the Flash, Wally discovered the link to the Speed Force, an energy source that gives all speedsters their power. Tapping into the Speed Force, Wally, the fastest Flash of them all, is able to run at the speed of light. One of the founders of the current and most powerful incarnation of the JLA, West [illegible] Rogues Gallery [illegible] champion of Keystone City. The Flash revealed his [illegible] to the world and, after several failed romances, fell in love with and married reporter Linda Park (see Park, Linda). After a battle with the villain Zoom ended in the miscarriage of their [illegible], West asked the Spectre to remove all memories of his identity from public consciousness, including Linda's, to protect those he loved [illegible] dangers he [illegible] the [illegible] Man Alive. PJ

GENERATIONS [illegible] Barry Allen [illegible] Wally [illegible]

LOVELY LINDA [illegible]

FUGITIVE [illegible] Iris [illegible] love of [illegible]

FLASHES FROM THE FUTURE

John Fox was a speedster from the 27th century who traveled back to the 21st century to take over the Flash legacy when Wally West disappeared. After West's return, Fox leapt back into the timestream and resettled in the [illegible] century. The third Kid Flash is the future daughter of Wally West, who inherited her father's Flash legacy when her slacker brother refused [illegible]. Walter West, the Flash [illegible] alternate timeline [illegible] was slain by Kobra [illegible] the Flash [illegible] meeting Hypertime [illegible] And Sela Allen, a sentient manifestation of the Speed Force, is the Flash of the 73rd century.

ROGUES GALLERY
The Flash has long had [illegible] impressive rosters of [illegible] and easily the most deadly.

RETURN TO FORM

W[illegible] he[illegible] up [illegible] Flash since [illegible] concentrated on his marriage, and [illegible] twins [illegible] the events of the [illegible] forced Wally and his family to return to stop a rampaging Superboy-Prime. Wally joined Jay Garrick and Kid Flash (Bart Allen) to hurl the [illegible] Kryptonian into the [illegible] Speed Force. [illegible] the threshold, Wally drew Linda and the twins with him into an alternate dimension, inhabited by long-departed speedsters including Max Mercury, Johnny Quick [illegible] and Barry Allen. Superboy-Prime escaped [illegible] years of imprisonment, with Bart Allen [illegible]. Wally and Linda elected to stay [illegible] the development of their twins, whose growth appeared to be surging in unpredictable bursts.

BART ALLEN (FLASH IV)
FIRST APPEARANCE FLASH (2nd series) #91 (June 1994) **STATUS** Hero (deceased) **OCCUPATION** Forensics student **BASE** Keystone City **HEIGHT** 5ft 11in **WEIGHT** 178 lbs **EYES** Yellow **HAIR** Brown
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Can run at incredible speeds, generate whirlwinds, and vibrate molecules to pass through solid objects.

SUITING UP Bart [illegible] Barry Allen's [illegible] attending [illegible] identity, but [illegible].

BART ALLEN: THE FOURTH FLASH

Bart Allen, who first emerged on the heroic scene as Impulse before taking up the identity of Kid Flash while with the Teen Titans, became the fourth inheritor of the Flash legacy. To stop Superboy-Prime during the worst fighting of the Infinite Crisis, Bart joined with Jay Garrick and Wally West to hurl the homicidal teenager into the extra-dimensional energy that surrounds the Speed Force. Jay dropped out just before the point of no return, but Bart and Wally both carried Superboy-Prime into an alternate reality, where they remained for several years of relative time. To observers on Earth only days had passed. But when Bart returned to Earth he had shed his adolescent gawkiness and grown into adulthood. Wearing Barry Allen's original costume, Bart battled the newly escaped Superboy-Prime but [illegible] exhausted his connection to the Speed Force during the fight. Bart retired from being a super hero, taking a job as an autoworker on a Keystone Motors assembly line. But the rise of the villain the Griffin—[illegible] Bart's coworker and roommate—revealed that the Speed Force had not abandoned the [illegible]. Bart returned to fighting crime [illegible] Keystone and then moved to Los Angeles [illegible] continue at the L.A. police academy.

KEYSTONE VICTORY [illegible] Bart put the [illegible] his powers [illegible] villain the Griffin.

THE END [illegible]

A HERO LOST

The return of Bart's twisted clone Inertia ushered in the fourth Flash's tragic and untimely death. Inertia gathered the core members of the Flash's Rogues Gallery—Mirror Master, Pied Piper, Heat Wave, Captain Cold, Trickster, Abra Kadabra, and Weather Wizard—and convinced that building a time-freezing device would make them all rich. Inertia [illegible] the device in L.A.'s Getty Center, revealing the machine's true function when he used it to drain the Speed Force from Bart Allen. Though Bart defeated his foe, his lack of powers made him easy prey for the ruthless Rogues, who ended his life. Bart Allen's fellow heroes honored their fallen friend with a public memorial in Keystone and a memorial statue in the [illegible] Flash Museum in San Francisco; the Teen Titans erected a second statue of Bart outside Titans Tower.

FALLEN HERO Bart Allen's [illegible]

The Lightning Saga

Wally West returned to Earth [illegible] thanks to the [illegible] where [illegible] the past [illegible] strange [illegible] lightning [illegible] members of the Legion [illegible] to be Bart Allen [illegible] Wally [illegible] through the [illegible] and [illegible] Wally [illegible] in the Justice League of America. With [illegible] Bart Allen [illegible] Rogues [illegible] on display in Keystone City Flash Museum.

Speedy justice [illegible] never fall again.

The Next Generation

The Wests tried to return to normal life in Keystone, but the abilities of their twins Iris and Jai caused headaches from the start. Iris inherited the power to vibrate her molecules through solid objects, while Jai added muscle mass to achieve temporary feats of super-strength. Though Iris appeared to be ten years old and Jai eight, both had lived slightly over a year in relative time. Their runaway metabolisms governed their development and their burgeoning powers were barely kept in check by mechanical treatments administered by their mother. By default she had become the world's leading expert on metabiology. Iris and Jai got their first taste of their family's heroic lifestyle when they helped their father rid Keystone of intelligent starfish creatures. The fact that children so young have taken on life-threatening risks has raised concern among Wally's Justice League teammates. PJ/DW

Unwelcome guests [illegible]

Learning the ropes [illegible]

High-tech parenting [illegible] help [illegible] growing pains.

FISHERMAN

FIRST APPEARANCE AQUAMAN (1st series) #21 (June 1965)
STATUS Villain **REAL NAME** Unknown
OCCUPATION Professional criminal **BASE** Mobile
HEIGHT 6ft **WEIGHT** 196 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Red
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Wears pressurized SCUBA suit, allowing him to breathe and travel underwater, and carries "fishing rod" weapon

The Fisherman has often [illegible] paths with Aquaman. [illegible] pressurized bodysuit and [illegible] fishing rod make him [illegible] specialized villain [illegible] schemes [illegible] attack Atlantis [illegible] has always been foiled by the King of the Seven Seas. [illegible] carries a fishing rod [illegible] that casts an [illegible] line. He can [illegible] accuracy [illegible] length will [illegible] with [illegible] a number [illegible] [illegible] back [illegible]. The Fisherman [illegible] actually a parasitic lifeform able to control the [illegible] of its wearer. DW

FLAG, RICH

FIRST APPEARANCE BRAVE AND THE BOLD #25 (September 1959)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Richard Flag
OCCUPATION Government operative **BASE** Mobile
HEIGHT 6ft 1in **WEIGHT** 189 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Brown
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Superior hand-to-hand combatant and strategist

The original Rick Flag led the World War II military unit known as the Suicide Squadron, taking impossible odds to take out enemy installations. He found his skills in demand after the war when he served with the U.S. government's Task Force X and its [illegible] Suicide Squad [illegible]. Rick Flag died while battling the gigantic War Wheel.

His son, Rick Flag Jr., took his father's place with the Suicide Squad and briefly served with the [illegible] Hunters. When Amanda Waller (see WALLER, AMANDA) founded an all-new Suicide Squad made up of criminal [illegible], Rick Flag led the team despite his distaste for many of its members and even started a tentative romance with [illegible]. Rick Flag seemingly died on a [illegible] mission to destroy the headquarters of the Jihad [illegible] but [illegible] spent years in a Q[illegible] prison [illegible] [illegible].

FLAMEBIRD

FIRST APPEARANCE SECRET ORIGINS ANNUAL #3 (1989)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Mary Elizabeth "Bette" Kane
OCCUPATION College student/adventurer **BASE** Hollywood, CA
HEIGHT 5ft 6in **WEIGHT** 125 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Blonde
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Above-average fighter; arsenal includes electrified bolas and gloves, flare-emitting mask lenses, and various tracking devices

Perky tennis prodigy Bette Kane [illegible] Robin [illegible] that [illegible] her own costumed alter ego, Flamebird, [illegible] an unsanctioned West Coast [illegible] Titans to impress [illegible] Wonder [illegible]. Unfortunately [illegible] super hero [illegible] Flamebird [illegible] out and Titans West disbanded not long after receiving an unwelcome reception from Robin and the Teen Titans. [illegible] following a confrontation between Bette and Nightwing, Robin's new alter ego, Flamebird rose like a phoenix from the ashes as Bette found new purpose. Redesigning Flamebird's costume and equipment, Bette took flight as a more confident super heroine while continuing her studies in sports medicine at U.C.L.A. Flamebird was briefly a member of Titans L.A., a latter-day Titans West that included her teammate Beast Boy, who had been a member of both her previous team and the Teen Titans. However, Titans L.A. proved to be even shorter lived than its predecessor, and Flamebird has returned to solo fighting [illegible]. SB

FLASHMAN, FUNKY

FIRST APPEARANCE MISTER MIRACLE #6 (January/February 1972)
STATUS Hindrance **REAL NAME** Unknown, if any
OCCUPATION Charlatan **BASE** Mobile
HEIGHT 6ft 1in **WEIGHT** 171 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Brown
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Master con artist able to talk his way into or out of any situation

[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] most powerful beings on Earth, Flashman is a fast talker who cares only about lining his pockets and for whom [illegible] [illegible]. Flashman's many [illegible] schemes [illegible] attached himself to Mister Miracle [illegible] with [illegible] [illegible] of the [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] team, while the [illegible]. More recently he [illegible] including the sale of knick[illegible] of heroes and villains. Despite [illegible] failures, Flashman has lost none of his enthusiasm. DW

FLEUR-DE-LIS

FIRST APPEARANCE BLUE BEETLE (6th series) #19 (December 1987)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Noelle Avril
OCCUPATION Adventurer **BASE** Paris, France
HEIGHT 5ft 6in **WEIGHT** 120 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** White
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Olympic-level athlete; expert with various weapons, particularly pistols and throwing stars

[illegible] of the [illegible] and then joined France's [illegible] Guardians were disbanded [illegible] Department [illegible] director [illegible]. She had a brief [illegible] known as DEATHSTROKE [illegible] who searched for his ex-wife Adeline Kane, who had been kidnapped by an international criminal, Jacques [illegible] Morel. RG

FLORONIC MAN

FIRST APPEARANCE THE ATOM #1 (July 1962)
STATUS Unresolved **REAL NAME** Jason Woodrue
OCCUPATION Former criminal **BASE** Mobile
HEIGHT 6ft 2in **WEIGHT** 210 lbs **EYES** Red **HAIR** Green
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Alien knowledge of plant life gives him an advantage over others; also has limited control over local plant forms. Stronger than a human given the density of the wood he inhabits.

Originally a [illegible] world inhabited by wood nymphs [illegible] [illegible] Woodrue was banished to Earth [illegible] hoped [illegible] the human identity of Jason Woodrue and becoming a teacher. He continued [illegible] experiments on plants, ruthlessly investigating the possibilities of human-plant hybridization. One of these [illegible] the [illegible] villainous [illegible]. Woodrue used his [illegible] knowledge to take control of Earth's plant life and attempted to conquer America with the aid of his plant army. The scheme was foiled by the [illegible] super hero the second Atom. After [illegible] Woodrue [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] kingdom [illegible] plant [illegible] and imprisoned by the [illegible] Woodrue [illegible] by General Sunderland [illegible] in the body of the Swamp Thing. Through the plant [illegible] Woodrue became one with the plant kingdom and once more [illegible] mankind. Swamp Thing stopped him and Woodrue sought redemption by joining a collection of individuals who had been [illegible] to guide humanity toward [illegible] evolution: the NEW GUARDIANS. He now operates on his own, wandering the Earth seeking purpose. RG

FLYING FOX

FIRST APPEARANCE YOUNG ALL-STARS #1 (June 1987)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Unrevealed
OCCUPATION Adventurer **BASE** Mobile
HEIGHT 5ft 10in **WEIGHT** 170 lbs **EYES** Brown **HAIR** Black
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Shamanistic talents include flight, invisibility and the ability to cast fire from his hands.

[illegible] World War II [illegible] Nazi [illegible] the Native American [illegible] guerrilla [illegible] Canadian [illegible] DW

FOLDED MAN

FIRST APPEARANCE THE FLASH (2nd series) #153 (October 1999)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Edwin Gauss
OCCUPATION Criminal **BASE** Central City
HEIGHT 5ft 11in **WEIGHT** 182 lbs **EYES** Brown **HAIR** Brown
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Can translate into a fourth-dimensional state that allows him to reach into the third dimension at any point; can flatten into a two-dimensional form.

The Folded Man [illegible] physicist Edwin Gauss [illegible] M.I.T. student who was desperate to complete Albert Einstein's unfinished Unified Field theory. After [illegible] attempts at cracking the theory and after [illegible] special software from billionaire Norman Bridges [illegible] entrepreneur Gauss [illegible] a way to travel [illegible] and created [illegible] special suit that allowed him to [illegible] at least four dimensions.

Pursued by the outraged Bridges, who believes that the special suit Gauss created is his by right, the brilliant but deranged M.I.T. tech became the Folded Man and quickly came into conflict with the [illegible] III. Able to [illegible] his body [illegible] and [illegible] the Folded Man [illegible] able to escape the Fastest Man Alive and [illegible] at large. PJ

FORAGER I

FIRST APPEARANCE THE NEW GODS (1st series) #9 (August 1972)
STATUS Hero (deceased) **REAL NAME** None
OCCUPATION Warrior **BASE** New Genesis
HEIGHT 5ft 10in **WEIGHT** 167 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Black
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Superb combatant; great speed and leaping abilities; adhesive pads on feet enabled him to run up walls; carried defensive shield and acid pad.

DARK KNIGHT [illegible] *met the B*[illegible] *toward the* [illegible] *during the* [illegible] *Odyssey* [illegible] *Darkseid* [illegible] *acquiring* [illegible] *Life Equation.*

[illegible] of the N[illegible] the [illegible] exterm[illegible] the N[illegible] of the [illegible] New Ge[illegible] from [illegible] Equation [illegible] prejudice [illegible] body back [illegible] War finally acknowledged Forager as a friend. SB

FORAGER II

FIRST APPEARANCE THE NEW GODS (2nd series) #2 (March 1989)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** None
OCCUPATION Warrior **BASE** New Genesis
HEIGHT 5ft 9in **WEIGHT** 121 lbs **EYES** White **HAIR** Blue
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES An accomplished warrior wielding many of the same abilities and accoutrements as Forager I.

A second Forager, this one female, was later appointed by the [illegible] Widow and Prime One—[illegible] highest ranking male of the [illegible] —as a new defender [illegible]. Initially following in Forager I's [illegible], Forager II also befriended Orion [illegible] Mister Miracle [illegible] from stirring unrest [illegible] spark a nuclear war on Earth. [illegible] Forager II [illegible] killed during that conflict [illegible] to New Genesis, where the murder [illegible] the [illegible] population. Forager II [illegible] during the Death of the New Gods event, trying to uncover the killer. SB

FOREVER PEOPLE

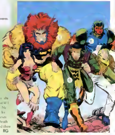
FIRST APPEARANCE FOREVER PEOPLE (1st series) #1 (Feb.–Mar. 1971)
STATUS Hero team (disbanded) **BASE** Supertown, New Genesis
MEMBERS AND POWERS
MARK MOONRIDER Has the megaton touch, which emits energy.
BIG BEAR Has superhuman strength.
BEAUTIFUL DREAMER Can create illusions.
VYKIN THE BLACK Has magnetic powers.
SERIFAN Cosmic cartridges create force fields and anti-gravity waves.

At the instruction of the Source, HIGHFATHER of the NEW GODS of the planet New Genesis gathered five children and subjected them to rigorous training in the use of their powers. Highfather ultimately revealed that the unique Mother Boxes (living computers) the young gods' parents had received a decade earlier were a five-piece composite that formed a larger unit and enabled the Forever People to trade places with INFINITY MAN for a short time. Using an oversized Mother Box, the team are able to summon this powerful protector.

The team adventured throughout New Genesis and on Earth for a time. When Infinity Man was apparently destroyed during a battle with DEVILANCE, the Forever People found themselves stranded on the pastoral planet of Adon. The circumstances of their return to New Genesis remain unclear, although VYKIN THE BLACK has indicated that Darkseid brought them back. The Forever People numbered among the casualties during the Death of the New Gods event. MISTER MIRACLE reanimated their corpses but failed to learn the identity of their killer. **RG**

THE FOREVER PEOPLE [illegible] aboard [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

1) Big Bear **2)** Beautiful Dreamer **3)** [illegible]
4) Serifan **5)** Mark Moonrider



FOX, LUCIUS

FIRST APPEARANCE BATMAN #307 (January 1979)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Lucius Fox
OCCUPATION CEO of Wayne Enterprises **BASE** Gotham City
HEIGHT 5ft 10in **WEIGHT** 170 lbs **EYES** Brown **HAIR** Black
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Meticulous and scrupulously honest. Fox is an excellent organizer with brilliant financial acumen.

[illegible] Wayne [illegible] Wayne [illegible] Enterprises [illegible] BATMAN [illegible] Wayne [illegible] Wayne Enterprises [illegible] of Wayne Enterprises [illegible] **PJ**

FORTUNE, AMOS

FIRST APPEARANCE JUSTICE LEAGUE OF AMERICA #6 (August–September 1961)
STATUS Villain **REAL NAME** Professor Amos Fortune
OCCUPATION Professional criminal **BASE** Mobile
HEIGHT 5ft 8in **WEIGHT** 233 lbs
EYES Black **HAIR** Black
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Advanced intellect, which he uses to manipulate others; claims special knowledge of the "science of luck."

[illegible] luck [illegible] difference [illegible] crime and earned the [illegible] "Podge" due to his stocky frame. As an adult he delved into the supposed science of luck and came to believe [illegible] body possessed [illegible] glands that influenced the outside world for good or ill every day.

[illegible] his knowledge to [illegible] a professional criminal. He soon came into [illegible] with the newly [illegible] JUSTICE LEAGUE OF AMERICA [illegible] fight against [illegible] the World's [illegible] to his Wheel of Misfortune and [illegible] to eliminate their good luck [illegible] with an energy [illegible] his Wheel of Misfortune [illegible] seven super [illegible] seven of the luckiest people on the planet (who'd all [illegible] on the seventh day of the seventh month) but WONDER WOMAN smashed his dreams of grandeur.

Amos Fortune also acted as the leader of the ROYAL [illegible] with Fortune's [illegible] his former [illegible] and [illegible] with [illegible] filling the roles of [illegible] During the Infinite [illegible] during the [illegible] super-villain break-out prior to the Battle of Metropolis. While fleeing [illegible] he made the mistake of insulting [illegible] and [illegible] seen again. **DW**

TRUSTING TO LUCK [illegible] *complex schemes rather than confront his enemies directly.*

FREEDOM BEAST

FIRST APPEARANCE ANIMAL MAN #13 (July 1989)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Dominic Mndawe
OCCUPATION Adventurer **BASE** Capetown, South Africa
HEIGHT 6ft 2in **WEIGHT** 191 lbs **EYES** Brown **HAIR** Black
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Magical helmet and potent elixir enable him to fuse two animals into a single creature and command it to do his bidding for a short time; a strange nourishing elixir heightens his strength and five senses to superhuman level.

[illegible] Mike Maxwell [illegible] B'Wana Beast. Maxwell [illegible] political activist Dominic Mndawe, [illegible] renamed himself Freedom Beast and used his [illegible] powers to help [illegible] Apartheid in South Africa. Freedom Beast [illegible] **SB**

FREEDOM FIGHTER Dominic Mndawe [illegible]

FREEDOM FIGHTERS, THE

FIRST APPEARANCE JUSTICE LEAGUE OF AMERICA #107 (Oct. 1973)
STATUS Hero team **BASE** U.S.
ORIGINAL MEMBERS AND POWERS
UNCLE SAM The spirit of the U.S.; strong and decisive.
HOURMAN I Has 60 minutes of enhanced human skills with miraclo pill.
INVISIBLE JUSTICE (DECEASED) Wore chemically treated cloak to become invisible.
MAGNO (DECEASED) Possessed magnetic-based powers.
MISS AMERICA Imbued with enhanced strength from the Spirit of Liberty.
NEON THE UNKNOWN (DECEASED) Was a two-fisted crime fighter.
RED TORPEDO Is a two-fisted crime fighter and excellent seaman.

[illegible] RG

KEY **1)** [illegible] **2)** [illegible] **3)** [illegible] **4)** [illegible] **5)** [illegible] **6)** [illegible] **7)** [illegible] **8)** [illegible]

FRINGE

FIRST APPEARANCE TEEN TITANS (2nd series) #2 (1997)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Unrevealed
OCCUPATION Adventurer **BASE** H'San Natall empire, deep space
HEIGHT 9ft 7in **WEIGHT** 645 lbs **EYES** White **HAIR** White
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Manifests a powerful psychic creature with various uncatalogued abilities.

[illegible] PJ

FURY

FIRST APPEARANCE SECRET ORIGINS (2nd series) #12 (March 1987)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Helena Kosmatos
OCCUPATION Adventurer **BASE** Themyscira
HEIGHT 5ft 6in **WEIGHT** 135 lbs **EYES** Blue (as Tisiphone) red
HAIR Blonde (as Tisiphone) black
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES She can channel the spirit and power of the Fury Tisiphone, the Blood Avenger, giving her superhuman strength, speed, and the ability to generate heat beams from her eyes. She wears lightweight, bulletproof armor.

Helena Kosmatos's father was [illegible] during the Italian Fascists' [illegible] of Greece in 1940. [illegible] Helena discovered [illegible] brother was a Fascist collaborator. Escaping Nazi [illegible], Helena fled to the [illegible] and unleashed the Furies, [illegible] Greek goddesses of vengeance. Helena became a vessel for their power and killed her brother. As Fury she joined the ALL-STAR SQUADRON and befriended HIPPOLYTA, the Golden Age WONDER WOMAN.

Decades later Helena named her only daughter Hippolyta. Losing her grip on reality after being seduced by the immortal Alcmaeon, Fury fought alongside the elder Hippolyta in the Amazon civil war. Later the essence of Fury was stolen from Helena but, thanks to WONDER WOMAN and TROIA, the spirit returned, along with her sanity. PJ

FURY II

First appearance Wonder Woman (1st series) #300 (February 1983)
Status Hero Real name Hippolyta Trevor
Occupation Adventurer Base England
Height 5ft 7in Weight 145 lbs Eyes Blue Hair Blonde
Special powers/abilities Superhuman strength, speed, and endurance; trained in most forms of hand-to-hand combat.

[illegible] daughter of FURY, Helena Kosmatos, was [illegible] Joan and Steve Trevor (see TREVOR, STEVE). [illegible] believed that her superpowers were inherited [illegible] "mother" the former MISS AMERICA. Lyta [illegible] with HECTOR HALL, son of HAWKMAN and HAWKGIRL. They became Fury II and the Silver [illegible] and founded the team INFINITY [illegible]. Hector vanished just as Lyta [illegible] she was pregnant. The [illegible] of myth then appeared to [illegible] and revealed Lyta's connection to Helena and the Greek gods. An amazing and traumatic series of events followed during which Lyta's child Daniel was abducted. When Daniel succeeded Morpheus as master of the Dreaming, [illegible] brought Lyta and [illegible] into his realm [illegible] them from the [illegible]. RG

AMAZING BASES

FROM SUBTERRANEAN CAVES to [illegible] strongholds, technological fortresses on the [illegible] to mythic islands in other dimensions, the world's greatest heroes find refuge in the most spectacular [illegible]. Across the Earth and throughout the universe, the JUSTICE LEAGUE OF AMERICA, the TEEN TITANS, and others maintain headquarters that [illegible] collate information and strike out at the [illegible]

JSA HEADQUARTERS

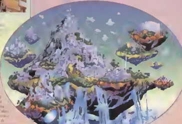
The headquarters of the JUSTICE SOCIETY OF AMERICA is [illegible] Morningside Heights, Manhattan, north of [illegible] New York [illegible] equipped with personal [illegible] Wonder [illegible] [illegible] JSA [illegible]

TITANS TOWER

[illegible] New York [illegible]

PARADISE ISLAND

Called Themyscira by [illegible] the [illegible] women known as the AMAZONS, Paradise Island is the home of WONDER WOMAN. The island Themyscira [illegible] pocket off the coast of Greece [illegible]. To the Amazons it was a mystical land of [illegible] Roman architecture, [illegible], and eternal sunshine. The home of the Amazons for 30 centuries, the island was ravaged by [illegible] war before being destroyed by [illegible]. Themyscira was recreated [illegible] and transformed into a floating chain of islands in the heart of the Bermuda Triangle. An architectural marvel of amazing [illegible] where [illegible] and whose population was [illegible] to the [illegible] Themyscira was [illegible] by [illegible]



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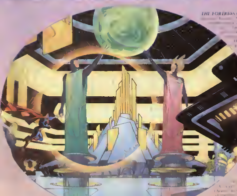

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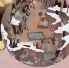

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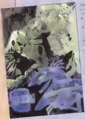

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THE BATCAVE

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BAT FORTRESS [illegible]

G.I. ROBOT

First appearance WEIRD WAR TALES #101 (July 1981)
Status Hero **Real name** J.A.K.E. 2
Occupation Soldier **Base** Pacific Islands
Height 6ft 6in **Weight** 548 lbs **Eyes** Photocellular **Hair** None
Special powers/abilities Speed, strength and endurance that exceeded the human norm.

[illegible] project to augment the soldiers during World War II, U.S. scientists devised a G.I. robot: the experimental Jungle Automatic Killer Experiment (J.A.K.E. 1). Marine Sgt. [illegible] was assigned to test the prototype. Its [illegible] were so successful that the army had hopes [illegible] of robots. The robot [illegible] saving Corporal [illegible] [illegible] J.A.K.E. 1 and startled engineers when it displayed a rudimentary conscience and sacrificed itself while saving an American fleet.

Learning from this experience, they built a second model. This new J.A.K.E. performed even better and was supplemented with a robotic dog and cat combination for stealth missions. It too developed artificial intelligence that perplexed the engineers enough that no further models were constructed and the program was quietly shut down at the end of World War II. The second J.A.K.E. [illegible] a thousand years [illegible] RG

GAMBLER

First Appearance GREEN LANTERN (2nd series) #12 (Summer 1944)
Status Villain (deceased) **Real Name** Steven Sharpe III
Occupation Professional criminal **Base** Gotham City
Height 5ft 7in **Weight** 151 lbs **Eyes** Blue **Hair** White
Special powers/abilities Master of disguise and a crack shot with his pocket derringer.

The first Gambler, Steven Sharpe III, was one of the original costumed villains who appeared after the debut of the heroic mystery men during the 1940s. [illegible] his trade with [illegible] carnival, the Gambler [illegible] a string of heists [illegible] into the [illegible] Green Lantern (Alan Scott). The Gambler [illegible] his reputation against [illegible] thanks to his daring [illegible] and a willingness to take a risk. He became one of the founding members of the Injustice Society [illegible] the Gambler shot himself [illegible] country. His grandson [illegible] Gambler briefly, fighting the [illegible] teaming with [illegible] DW

GAMEMNAE

First appearance JLA #70 (October 2002)
Status Villain (deceased) **Real name** Gamemnae
Occupation Sorceress **Base** Poseidonis, Atlantis
Height 5ft 8in **Weight** 139 lbs **Eyes** Blue **Hair** Blonde
Special powers/abilities Power sorceress; was able to cast spells potent enough to move continents through space and time.

Gamemnae was an Atlantean [illegible] who [illegible] creating [illegible]. She was [illegible] by her homeland [illegible] because she had [illegible] Atlantean [illegible]. She isolated the people of Atlantis and imprisoned Aquaman by shifting the kingdom back in time [illegible] the [illegible] prophet that [illegible] the coming of the [illegible] world (Rama Khan [illegible] KHAN RAMA) [illegible] destroy [illegible] "Hydra" [illegible] Gamemnae had tried [illegible] Atlantis through [illegible] Following [illegible] the ANCIENT [illegible] MASTER RAVEN, the JLA [illegible] Atlantis [illegible] rightful [illegible] PJ

GARDNER, GUY

First appearance GREEN LANTERN (2nd series) #59 (March 1968)
Status Hero **Real name** Guy Gardner
Occupation Green Lantern **Base** Planet Oa; Earth
Height 6ft **Weight** 1[illegible] lbs **Eyes** Blue **Hair** Red
Special powers/abilities Power ring provides flight, shielding, and encyclopedic knowledge; it emits energies that can be shaped into anything the wielder can imagine.

[illegible]

The one, true Green Lantern [illegible]

GANGBUSTER

First appearance ADVENTURES OF SUPERMAN #432 (July 1987)
Status Hero (retired) **Real name** José Delgado
Occupation Former schoolteacher **Base** Suicide Slum, Metropolis
Height 5ft 9in **Weight** 170 lbs **Eyes** Brown **Hair** Black
Special powers/abilities Superb street fighter; wore Kevlar-lined bulletproof body armor and riot helmet; weapons included shatterproof nunchakus and taser

[illegible] SB

GAUCHO

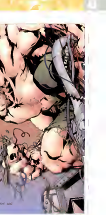
First appearance DETECTIVE COMICS #215 (January 1955)
Status Hero (missing in action) **Real name** Unknown
Occupation Freedom fighter **Base** Buenos Aires
Height 5ft 10in **Weight** 175 lbs **Eyes** Brown **Hair** Black
Special powers/abilities Expert equestrian; best known for his skill with the bolo, a throwing weapon used to ensnare or strangle its target

[illegible] PJ

MACHO MAN [illegible]

GENERAL, THE

First appearance (Wade Eiling) CAPTAIN ATOM (2nd series) #1 (March 1988); (The General) JLA #25 (January 1999)
Status Villain **Real name** General Wade Eiling
Occupation Militant monster **Base** Mobile
Height 10ft 5in **Weight** 1,378 lbs **Eyes** Red **Hair** Brown
Special powers/abilities Superhuman strength and regenerative abilities; nearly indestructible; can survive unaided in space



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GENERAL GLORY

First appearance JUSTICE LEAGUE AMERICA #46 (January 1991)
Status Hero (deceased) **Real name** Joseph Jones
Occupation Soldier **Base** Mobile
Height 6ft 2in **Weight** 210 lbs **Eyes** Blue **Hair** Black
Special powers/abilities German nerve gas made Jones an Olympic-level athlete; coupled with great courage, that was all he needed

[illegible] RG

GENERAL IMMORTUS

First appearance MY GREATEST ADVENTURE #80 (June 1963)
Status Villain **Real name** Unknown
Occupation Would-be world conqueror **Base** Mobile
Height 5ft 7in **Weight** 142 lbs **Eyes** Blue **Hair** None
Special powers/abilities Brilliant criminal mind; centuries-long lifespan, hence his name.

[illegible] DW

GENERAL ZAHL

First appearance DOOM PATROL (1st series) #121 (October 1968)
Status Villain (deceased) **Real name** Zahl (first name unrevealed)
Occupation Mercenary **Base** Mobile
Height 5ft 6in **Weight** 150 lbs **Eyes** Blue **Hair** None
Special powers/abilities A brutal, unscrupulous, submarine commander; Zahl controlled his officers through lies and intimidation.

A [illegible] Nazi [illegible] World War II, Captain Zahl fled to Argentina at the end of the war. [illegible] PJ

Zahl and Rouge [illegible]

GENERAL ZOD

First appearance ADVENTURE COMICS #283 (August 1961)
Status Villain **Real name** Amsulun (first name unknown)
Occupation Despot **Base** Phantom Zone
Height 6ft 3in **Weight** 230 lbs **Eyes** Black **Hair** Blue
Special powers/abilities Under the rays of a red sun, he possessed the same solar-enhanced abilities as Superman, including super-strength, speed, invulnerability, and various sensory powers.

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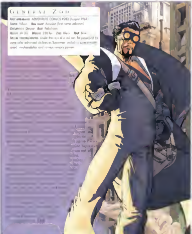

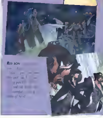

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Spitting image [illegible]

GENIUS JONES

FIRST APPEARANCE ADVENTURE COMICS #77 (August 1942)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** John Jones
OCCUPATION Problem solver **BASE** New York City
HEIGHT 5ft 6in **WEIGHT** 115 lbs **EYES** Brown **HAIR** Brown
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Way ahead of his time, encyclopedic scientific mind enables him to answer any question, conduct extraordinary research, and invent amazing contraptions.

[illegible] RG

GENTLEMAN GHOST

FIRST APPEARANCE FLASH COMICS #88 (October 1947)
STATUS Villain **REAL NAME** James "Gentleman Jim" Craddock
OCCUPATION Professional criminal **BASE** Mobile
HEIGHT 5ft 11in **WEIGHT** Inapplicable **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Brown
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Spectral ability to turn invisible and pass through solid objects; adequate marksman with antique flintlock pistols.

[illegible] DW

GLO-FORCE

FIRST APPEARANCE THE BRAVE AND THE BOLD #200 (July 1983)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Brion Markov
OCCUPATION Prince, adventurer **BASE** Markovia
HEIGHT 6ft 0in **WEIGHT** 230 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Light red
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Markov has superhuman strength and powers of endurance. He can also fly, alter gravity, and project powerful blasts of heat from his hands.

[illegible] PJ

GHOST PATROL, THE

FIRST APPEARANCE FLASH COMICS #29 (May 1942)
STATUS Hero team (members deceased) **BASE** France
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES (FRITZ, PIERRE, SLIM) As ghosts, each member was able to fly and become intangible or invisible; however, while in human form, the Ghost Patrollers were susceptible to injury.

[illegible] SB

GIGANTA

FIRST APPEARANCE WONDER WOMAN (2nd series) #125 (Sept. 1997)
STATUS Villain **REAL NAME** Doris Zuel
OCCUPATION Scientist **BASE** Mobile
HEIGHT 6ft 6in **WEIGHT** 246 lbs **EYES** Green **HAIR** Red
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Able to grow from human size to hundreds of feet tall in seconds, gaining great physical strength in the process. Olga was not very quick-witted, whereas Doris is smart and cunning.

[illegible] RG

GIRDER

FIRST APPEARANCE FLASH: IRON HEIGHTS #1 (2001)
STATUS Villain **REAL NAME** Tony Woodward
OCCUPATION Criminal **BASE** Keystone City
HEIGHT 7ft 8in **WEIGHT** 1500 lbs **EYES** Glowing yellow **HAIR** Metallic
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Superhuman strength; possesses a virtually indestructible body of living steel.

[illegible] DW

GIZMO

FIRST APPEARANCE THE NEW TEEN TITANS (1st series) #3 (Jan. 1981)
STATUS Villain (deceased) **REAL NAME** Mikron O'Jeneus
OCCUPATION Inventor; professional criminal **BASE** New Jersey
HEIGHT 4ft 2in **WEIGHT** 87 lbs **EYES** Green **HAIR** Brown
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Given the tools, Gizmo could turn harmless household appliances into high-tech weapons of mass destruction.

A [illegible] Mikron O'J[illegible] [illegible]applied [illegible] technology to [illegible] clandestine [illegible] approach [illegible] Doctor [illegible] battled ali[illegible] the [illegible] who [illegible] super-villains [illegible] Fearsome Five [illegible] several lineups [illegible] eventually [illegible] incredible [illegible] Earth [illegible] Titans [illegible] S.T.A.R. [illegible] was apparently [illegible] Recently [illegible] and part of [illegible] Doctor [illegible] head and [illegible] SB

GLORIOUS GODFREY

FIRST APPEARANCE FOREVER PEOPLE #3 (July 1971)
STATUS Villain **REAL NAME** None
OCCUPATION Agent of Darkseid **BASE** Apokolips
HEIGHT 5ft 11in **WEIGHT** 195 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Red
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Silver-tongued powers of persuasion; handsome looks conceal a heart of pure poison.

[illegible] the Apokolips [illegible] Amazons [illegible] DW

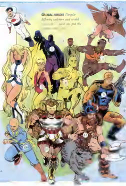
GLOSS

FIRST APPEARANCE MILLENNIUM #1 (Summer 1987)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Xiang Po
OCCUPATION Adventurer **BASE** U.S.
HEIGHT 5ft 5in **WEIGHT** 139 lbs **EYES** Red **HAIR** Dark auburn
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Superstrength; controls the Dragon Lines of Power, energy coursing through the Earth that enables Gloss to create force fields, duplicate herself, or teleport.

[illegible] SB

GLOBAL GUARDIANS, THE

FIRST APPEARANCE #46 (June 1982)
STATUS Hero team
BASE An uncharted island in the Pacific Ocean
CURRENT MEMBERS AND POWERS
Dr. Mist (Kor) Sorcerer
Seraph (Israel) Possesses superstrength
Owlwoman (America) Tracker; superspeed and durability
Olympian (Greece) Golden Fleece gives him the powers of 50 Argonauts
Rising Sun (Japan) Solar powers
Centrix (Canada) Can project invisible energy
Tundra (Russia) Possesses superstrength; can project ice and cold
Cascade (Indonesia) Is able to turn into water form; can psionically control water
Chrysalis (France) Has a robotic shell containing sentient insects



GLOBAL HEROES Despite differing cultures and world [illegible] put the [illegible]

[illegible] the Italian [illegible] his sidekick [illegible] the Argentine [illegible] and the Swedish [illegible] the 1960s. Convinced [illegible] costumed rogues, many [illegible] a treaty in 1957 [illegible] codenamed [illegible] mansion [illegible] Global Guardians [illegible] Venezuela's [illegible] Green Fury [illegible] South Africa's [illegible] Thunderbolt [illegible] America). [illegible] Guardians and [illegible] have helped [illegible] Earth. The Guardians [illegible] the years, [illegible] was tarnished [illegible] were turned [illegible] the Queen [illegible] Dome [illegible] Pacific Ocean. [illegible]

KEY 1) [illegible] **2)** [illegible] **3)** [illegible] **4)** [illegible] **5)** [illegible] **6)** [illegible] **7)** [illegible] **8)** [illegible] **9)** [illegible] **10)** [illegible] **11)** [illegible] **12)** [illegible]

G'NORT

First appearance JUSTICE LEAGUE INTERNATIONAL #10 (February 1988)
Status Hero **Real name** G'nort Esplanade Gneeshmacher
Occupation Adventurer **Base** Mobile
Height 5ft 10in **Weight** 195 lbs **Eyes** Black **Hair** Reddish brown
Special powers/abilities Well-meaning but inept; wears the moser-powered suit of a Darkstar, but whether the suit is operational is questionable.

[illegible] as an intergalactic [illegible] the [illegible] When the [illegible] At [illegible] Aquarius [illegible] When [illegible] SB

GODIVA

First appearance THE NEW TEEN TITANS (2nd series) ANNUAL #2 (1988) **Status** Villain **Real name** Unknown
Occupation Mercenary **Base** The Swiss Alps
Height 5ft 9in **Weight** 143 lbs **Eyes** Red **Hair** Black with gold streak
Special powers/abilities Hypnotic powers charm her victims into behaving like mindless puppets.

[illegible] from the [illegible] kidnapped [illegible] the Titans [illegible] PJ

GOG

First appearance GOG #1 (February 1998)
Status Villain **Real name** William (last name unrevealed)
Occupation Adventurer **Base** Metropolis
Height [illegible] **Weight** 203 lbs **Eyes** Blue **Hair** Brown
Special powers/abilities Superhuman strength and durability; staff emits energy beams.

Victim [illegible]

Miraculous rescue William [illegible] Superman?

[illegible] William felt he was rescued by S[illegible] over Kansas, for something spe[illegible] of Superman. Considering himself the [illegible] of beliefs based on the hero's exploits [illegible] disapproval of the Church [illegible]

[illegible] William proved susceptible to an approach by the [illegible], called the Quintessence. He was given immense power [illegible] and kill Superman [illegible] Superman [illegible] the day Superman and Wonder Woman's baby [illegible] Gog kidnapped [illegible] rather than kill Superman [illegible] Kansas. At the [illegible] Gog, Superman, Batman and Wonder Woman [illegible] study of the [illegible] However, he escaped [illegible] to renew their struggle. RG

Gog is born [illegible]

The Quintessence [illegible]

GOLDEN ARROW

First appearance WHIZ COMICS #2 (February 1940)
Status Hero **Real name** Roger Parsons
Occupation Western hero **Base** The Old West
Height 6ft 1in **Weight** 195 lbs **Eyes** Blue **Hair** Blond
Special powers/abilities Superb horseman, courageous fighter, and a dead shot with a bow and arrow; marked the tips of his arrows with prospector's gold, hence his name.

[illegible] Roger Parsons [illegible] Golden Arrow [illegible] of the West [illegible] Golden Arrow [illegible] DW

GOLDEN GLADIATOR

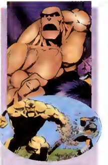
FIRST APPEARANCE THE BRAVE AND THE BOLD (1st series) #1 (September 1955)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Marcus
OCCUPATION Former shepherd, slave and warrior
BASE Ancient Rome
HEIGHT 6ft 4in **WEIGHT** 215 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Black
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Superior swordsman and courageous hand-to-hand combatant; accomplished equestrian.

Marcus was a shepherd [illegible] Rome who was [illegible] [illegible] became [illegible] other prisoners [illegible] Rome [illegible] the crime [illegible] At the Golden [illegible] Marcus [illegible] Rome's greatest defender [illegible] and schemes. PJ

GOLDFACE

FIRST APPEARANCE (as Kenyon) GREEN LANTERN (2nd series) #38 (July 1965); (as Goldface) GREEN LANTERN (2nd series) #48 (October 1966)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Keith Kenyon
OCCUPATION Union leader **BASE** Keystone City
HEIGHT 5ft 9in **WEIGHT** 180 lbs **EYES** Brown **HAIR** Brown
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Kenyon has superhuman strength, and his organic metal skin provides some degree of invulnerability.

Keith Kenyon [illegible] Rather [illegible] [illegible]



FORCE OF NATURE [illegible]

GOLDEN GLIDER

FIRST APPEARANCE THE FLASH (1st series) #250 (June 1977)
STATUS Villain (deceased) **REAL NAME** Lisa Snart (Rose St
OCCUPATION Adventurer **BASE** Mobile
HEIGHT 5ft 5in **WEIGHT** 117 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Blond
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES World class athlete; anti-gravity skates created their own ice, but she effectively skated on thin air; arsenal of weapons concealed as jewels that enabled hypnot force fields, teleportation, illusions, etc.

Lisa Snart [illegible] champion [illegible] Allen [illegible] following a high [illegible] the Scarlet Speedster [illegible] take the Flash [illegible] Golden Glider [illegible] to kill the Flash's wife [illegible] as well as hers and Barry's [illegible] hypnotized [illegible] controlled [illegible] Fortunately the Flash [illegible] Golden Glider's schemes. Snart [illegible] when the villain [illegible] the Flash's father Henry Allen. [illegible] Snart [illegible] for the last time [illegible] to create [illegible] killing Snart [illegible] SB

SOLID GOLD [illegible]

GOLEM

FIRST APPEARANCE RAGMAN [illegible] #1 (September 1976)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** None [illegible] (by Paul)
OCCUPATION Former member of [illegible] (Primal Force)
BASE New York City **HEIGHT** 8ft **WEIGHT** 570 lbs
EYES Yellowish brown **HAIR** None
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Vast bulk allied to super-strength; apparently invulnerable as he has the ability to [illegible] himself out of clay; possesses a benevolent disposition and is viewed as a gentle giant.

[illegible] the mud of the Louisiana swamps, the [illegible] known as Golem [illegible] to be confused [illegible] serving with the super-group [illegible] [illegible] RAGMAN [illegible] woman [illegible] death [illegible] DW

GORGEOUS GILLY

FIRST APPEARANCE Action Comics #769 (September 2000)
STATUS Villain **REAL NAME** Unknown
OCCUPATION Adventurer **BASE** Chattahoochee, Florida
HEIGHT 6ft 2in **WEIGHT** 165 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Brown
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Powerful hypnotic ability, described as a "magic love eye," makes men slaves to her incredible beauty

[illegible] DW

GORILLA GRODD

FIRST APPEARANCE THE FLASH (1st series) #106 (May 1959)
STATUS Villain **REAL NAME** None
OCCUPATION Would-be world conqueror
BASE Gorilla City, Africa **HEIGHT** 6ft 6in
WEIGHT 600 lbs **EYES** Gray **HAIR** Black
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Force of Mind: enables Grodd to control others, transform matter, project attack beams [illegible] transfer his consciousness into the bodies of other [illegible] scientific genius; inventor of exotic weaponry.

[illegible] Their [illegible] fourthe[illegible] arms [illegible] angry [illegible] Grodd [illegible] had [illegible] of [illegible] followers [illegible] schemes [illegible] world of the second [illegible] Gorilla Grodd [illegible] Grodd tried to [illegible] President Lex Luthor [illegible] both heroes [illegible] villains on a prison [illegible]

GRIP OF GRODD Black Canary [illegible]

GORDON, JAMES W

FIRST APPEARANCE DETECTIVE COMICS #27 (May 1939)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** James W. Gordon
OCCUPATION Gotham City Police Commissioner **BASE** Gotham City
HEIGHT 5ft 9in **WEIGHT** 160 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** White
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Expert criminologist and dedicated, highly principled police detective; useful hand-to-hand combatant renowned for his powerful left hook; uses a standard-issue service revolver, a Browning BDAO 9mm automatic.

[illegible] Gordon, his wife Barbara, and their [illegible] had been moved to Gotham City [illegible] ago, where he established a [illegible] for honesty in an infamously [illegible] police department. However [illegible] dedication took its toll on his marriage and Barbara [illegible] taking their son James [illegible] He retained custody of their adopted daughter, Barbara.

One of Jim's first assignments [illegible] hunting down the urban legend [illegible] Despite his aversion to Batman [illegible] Gordon became a close ally of the Dark Knight [illegible] Police Commissioner [illegible] He also fell in love with [illegible] Gordon refused to leave Gotham [illegible] earthquake, and with a [illegible] semblance of law and order [illegible] while trying to [illegible] kidnapped [illegible] Gordon finally [illegible] several months after the Infinite Crisis. His daughter Barbara [illegible] to fight crime in Metropolis and across the world as Oracle. PJ

KILL OR BE KILLED [illegible]

GOTH

FIRST APPEARANCE THE TITANS #3 (May 1999)
STATUS Villain (deceased) **REAL NAME** Unrevealed
OCCUPATION Demon **BASE** Mobile
HEIGHT Variable **WEIGHT** Variable **EYES** Variable **HAIR** None
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Charismatic; demonic strength; creates and throws flames; induces trances; razor-sharp claws and teeth

[illegible] Titans first encountered this demon [illegible] in the town of Eden Crest, featuring a [illegible] The rocker started [illegible] to mark his [illegible] but was stopped [illegible] Titans [illegible] Luthor [illegible] With this demon [illegible] Hell called Dis would [illegible] Under the guises [illegible] RG

BAD VIBES [illegible]

GREEN ARROW

THE EMERALD ARCHER

OLIVER JONAS QUEEN (GREEN ARROW I)
FIRST APPEARANCE More Fun Comics #73 (November 1941)
STATUS Hero **OCCUPATION** Adventurer **BASE** Star City
HEIGHT 5ft 11in **WEIGHT** 185 lbs **EYES** Green **HAIR** Blond
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Has an excellent eye for archery; trained hand-to-hand combatant with above average strength and endurance.

CONNOR HAWKE (GREEN ARROW II)
FIRST APPEARANCE Green Arrow (1st series) #0 (October 1994)
STATUS Hero **OCCUPATION** Adventurer **BASE** Star City
HEIGHT 5ft 9in **WEIGHT** 160 lbs **EYES** Green **HAIR** Blond
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES An expert marksman as well as one of the top five martial artists on Earth.

WHILE ON A SOUTH SEA CRUISE, a business partner betrayed playboy billionaire Oliver Queen and knocked him overboard. Washing up on a remote island, Queen fashioned a crude bow and arrow to take down a drug-running operation run by the villainess China White. He soon returned to the social scene in his hometown, Star City. Donning a Robin Hood costume for a party, Queen foiled a robbery during the event, gaining the nickname Green Arrow. Resolving to become a crime fighter, he soon experienced firsthand the diseased underbelly of society he had only previously read about.

EARLY DAYS [illegible]

DARTING AROUND [illegible]

ROY AND HAL

After [illegible] trip to [illegible] the first met Hal Jordan, the [illegible] LANTERN. Queen sold off his [illegible] H[illegible] decided to become [illegible] involved in campaigning for [illegible] adopted R[illegible] Harper [illegible] his first kid sidekick [illegible] together they battled [illegible] the crime-clown Bull's-Eye, the Rainbow Archer [illegible] the anonymous financier of the JUSTICE LEAGUE OF A[illegible] Arrow Plane, Arrow Car, and [illegible] all of the A[illegible] short time later, Green Arrow was formally [illegible] with he could [illegible] the second BLACK [illegible] Soon [illegible] his fortune by John del[illegible] convinced Hal Jordan to [illegible] There they confronted [illegible] and environmental destruction. [illegible] were frequent [illegible] their journey by Black Canary II.

OLIVER QUEEN

Queen never talked about his parents [illegible] an orphan heir to a manufacturing empire [illegible] the secret vigilante Green Arrow [illegible] wrestling with an [illegible] Now he finally had the chance [illegible] fighting all manner of criminals. He [illegible] to realize that crime and violence [illegible] fueled in part by his own [illegible]

SHIELDED [illegible]

ENEMIES FOR THE GREEN ARROW

[illegible]ing about [illegible] Black Canary II acted [illegible] Green Arrow [illegible] Black Canary II [illegible] when [illegible] Lantern [illegible] and [illegible] Green [illegible]

"LOVERS" TIFF [illegible]

SHADO, LONGBOW HUNTER

After Oliver Queen resigned from the JLA [illegible] and Dinah La[illegible] to Seattle Washington where [illegible] a flower shop [illegible] Sherwood Florist [illegible] the [illegible] tracking down a [illegible] she [illegible] and then [illegible] her father and [illegible] Green Arrow [illegible] drugs cartel [illegible] eventually became lovers for a time. Green Arrow [illegible] Shado [illegible] discovered that Queen had [illegible] Robert.

BACK FROM THE DEAD

[illegible] Arrow [illegible] detonating a bomb [illegible] his life in the process. [illegible] (formerly Green Lantern [illegible] PARALLAX) used his [illegible] Ollie's life, but without a soul.

With the help of his [illegible] regained his soul and made [illegible] his life back in order. He [illegible] Roy Harper and took [illegible] streets of his beloved Star City [illegible] Ollie [illegible] while longing [illegible]

His legend would grow [illegible] powerful [illegible] century [illegible] Earth [illegible] who [illegible] Arrows.

MIA DEARDEN

Mia Dearden [illegible] a violent home [illegible] a child. Homeless [illegible] to prostitution [illegible] herself. She [illegible] recently reunited [illegible] He took her in and gave her a safe place [illegible] be a teen.

Mia trained [illegible] her skills at martial arts and archery [illegible] former Speedy Roy Harper [illegible] Oliver Queen allowed Mia [illegible] new Speedy. She also served [illegible] the Teen Titans.

SAVIOR [illegible] Mia [illegible] Rescued [illegible] for safety.

AMAZON PRISONER [illegible]

POLITICS AND MARRIAGE

After the [illegible] Green Arrow [illegible] temporarily [illegible] while [illegible] Oliver [illegible]

NEWLY WED [illegible]

CONNOR HAWKE

Ollie's son by Sandra Moonday Hawke, Connor Hawke was raised as a Buddhist monk and trained in martial arts. Though Connor sought inner peace, his adventurous spirit was spurred by his worship for the father he had never known. When [illegible] Ollie entered the monastery where [illegible] and [illegible] At the completion [illegible] together, Connor revealed that he was Ollie's son. When Ollie seemed to have been killed in an [illegible] over Metropolis, Connor took up his father's crime-fighting role as [illegible] Green Arrow.

INNOCENT AND GOOD

[illegible] Oliver Queen returned to life [illegible] world [illegible] for [illegible] with [illegible]

DOUBLE HITTER [illegible]

KEY STORYLINES

- *GREEN LANTERN/GREEN ARROW (1ST AND 2ND SERIES) (2004)*: collections of classic stories as the heroes [illegible] traveled [illegible] fighting wrongs.
- *GREEN ARROW: THE ARCHER'S QUEST (2003)*: [illegible] from the dead, Ollie Queen was [illegible] to connect with his family.
- *GREEN ARROW: THE LONGBOW HUNTERS (1989)*: [illegible] Arrow saves Black Canary from being tortured; he encounters the mysterious female assassin Shado.
- *THE BRAVE AND THE BOLD #85 (AUGUST 1969)*: In "The [illegible]'s Been Shot," Green Arrow dons a new outfit [illegible] and gains a new attitude toward his role as a [illegible] fighter.

GREEN LANTERN

BRIGHTEST LIGHT IN THE UNIVERSE

ALAN SCOTT (GREEN LANTERN I)
FIRST APPEARANCE ALL-AMERICAN COMICS #16 (July 1940)
STATUS Hero **OCCUPATION** Crime fighter **BASE** Gotham City
HEIGHT 6ft **WEIGHT** 201 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Blond

HAL JORDAN (GREEN LANTERN II/PARALLAX)
FIRST APPEARANCE SHOWCASE #22 (October 1959)
STATUS Hero/villain (deceased) **OCCUPATION** Spectral guardian
BASE Utah desert **HEIGHT** 6ft 2in **WEIGHT** 186 lbs
EYES Brown **HAIR** Brown

GUY GARDNER (GREEN LANTERN III)
FIRST APPEARANCE GREEN LANTERN (2nd series) #59
(March 1968) **STATUS** Hero (deceased)
OCCUPATION Adventurer **BASE** New York City
HEIGHT 6ft **WEIGHT** 180 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Red

JOHN STEWART (GREEN LANTERN IV)
FIRST APPEARANCE GREEN LANTERN (2nd series) #87
(January 1972) **STATUS** Hero
OCCUPATION Architect **BASE** New York City
HEIGHT 6ft 1in **WEIGHT** 201 lbs **EYES** Brown **HAIR** Black

KYLE RAYNER (GREEN LANTERN V)
FIRST APPEARANCE GREEN LANTERN (3rd series) #48
(January 1994) **STATUS** Hero
OCCUPATION Comic-fighter, cartoonist **BASE** New York
HEIGHT 5ft 11in **WEIGHT** 175 lbs **EYES** Green **HAIR** Black

SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Green Lantern ring generates hard-light images limited only by user's imagination; ring is also a database and language translator and allows travel through space. Rings must be recharged using a lantern-shaped power battery.

ONCE THEY WERE a corps 3,600 strong, wearing the most powerful weapons ever devised on their fingers. The GREEN LANTERN CORPS acted as an intergalactic police force, doing the bidding of the GUARDIANS OF THE UNIVERSE. Each Green Lantern possessed a power ring that could create hard-light projections by drawing energy from the Central Power Battery on the Guardians' homeworld of Oa, however, the rings were ineffective against anything yellow. The Green Lantern Corps suffered a fatal blow at the hands of Hal Jordan, but Kyle Rayner may be the best hope for restoring this ancient force of justice and order.

BRIGHT LIGHT [illegible]

ALAN SCOTT

[illegible] ago the Guardians of the Universe trapped most of the [illegible] magical energies into an orb called the Starheart. A [illegible] [illegible] in Alan Scott's ring and power battery. Unlike [illegible] Scott's mystical ring worked [illegible] against yellow objects [illegible] wood. Scott helped establish the JUSTICE SOCIETY OF AMERICA [illegible] World War II. After many decades he discovered that his [illegible] fused with the energy of the Starheart and that he [illegible] a ring. Scott briefly took the identity of [illegible] retaining the Green Lantern mantle.

DOWN AND OUT [illegible]

TRANSITIONS [illegible]

HAL JORDAN

Hal Jordan [illegible] the Corps' greatest champion after [illegible] As Green Lantern and protector of space sector 2814, Jordan [illegible] the JUSTICE LEAGUE OF AMERICA alongside Aquaman [illegible] He battled a legion of [illegible] including [illegible] Green Lantern Sinestro. But when the [illegible] was demolished, Jordan [illegible] Coast City [illegible] guilt. Enraged when the Guardians [illegible] resurrection, [illegible] his rings [illegible] Guardians and the Corps—becoming the [illegible] PARALLAX. Though Parallax died [illegible] Jordan's spirit lived on in the universe [illegible]

GUY GARDNER

Originally passed over by Abin Sur in favor of Hal Jordan, Guy Gardner enjoyed a checkered career as Green Lantern. Gardner [illegible] known for his belligerent cocky attitude, [illegible] to prove himself at the same time [illegible] Lantern. Gardner served with the JLA but later lost his right to wear a power ring. He briefly wore Sinestro's yellow power ring, then embraced a new role when he discovered his heritage as a genetically altered warrior engineered by the alien Vuldarians.

LIGHTS OUT [illegible]

PARALLAX *Hal Jordan achieved unimaginable power as the megalomaniacal Parallax. Ironically, he is even more powerful as the divinely [illegible]*

- **GREEN LANTERN (2ND SERIES) #76 (APRIL 1970)** This classic tale united Green Lantern Hal Jordan and Green Arrow Oliver Queen for what would become a road trip exploration of America.
- **GREEN LANTERN (3RD SERIES) #48–50 (JANUARY–MARCH 1994)** Kyle Rayner took over as Green Lantern when Hal Jordan turned rogue in the series-changing "Emerald Twilight" epic.
- **GREEN LANTERN (3RD SERIES) #162–164 (JUNE–AUGUST 2003)** In an echo of his predecessor's journey, Kyle Rayner teamed up with Green Arrow Oliver Queen to investigate an intergalactic [illegible]

KYLE RAYNER

When Hal Jordan [illegible] the last [illegible] ring to [illegible] Kyle Rayner [illegible] with the Green [illegible] his weakness [illegible] Rayner [illegible] the super-villain MAJOR [illegible] Rayner's girlfriend [illegible] killed FATALITY [illegible] GREEN ARROW and [illegible] romance with Alan [illegible] Jade. Rayner assumed the [illegible] omnipotent Ion before [illegible] off much of his power by [illegible] the Guardians. Kyle Rayner recruited members to restore the Corps to its former glory.

SWAN SONG

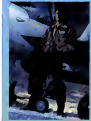
Although Kyle [illegible] Lantern [illegible] [illegible] over [illegible] John Stewart [illegible] Kyle [illegible] that he still [illegible] including [illegible] return [illegible] [illegible] Green Lantern DW

EMERALD KNIGHT [illegible]

JOHN STEWART

[illegible] Hal Jordan's [illegible] John [illegible] one of the greatest ring-bearers, despite [illegible] unimaginable pain. [illegible] accidentally [illegible] the entire planet Xanshi, then [illegible] his [illegible] Katma Tui, [illegible] hands of STAR SAPPHIRE. He earned [illegible] the [illegible] of a patchwork "mosaic world" on Oa and later became a member [illegible] the DARKSTARS (an intergalactic peacekeeping force that [illegible] rival to the Green Lantern Corps). Injuries suffered [illegible] line of duty left him paralyzed [illegible] he briefly worked [illegible] the use of his legs. Now John Stewart [illegible] powerful super-heroes [illegible] [illegible] Martian Manhunter [illegible]

RESOLUTE [illegible]



BACK IN UNIFORM *Hal Jordan [illegible] back to Carol Ferris, his first love*

THE RETURN OF HAL JORDAN

Hal Jordan's penance came to an end with the revelation of Parallax's true nature. Parallax had existed since the beginning of time as the living embodiment of fear. [illegible] imprisonment in the Green Lantern Central Power Battery, where it became known as "the yellow impurity," had contained its poisonous influence and had given the power rings their traditional weakness against the color yellow.

In Jordan's case, Parallax had psychically weakened him after the destruction of Coast City, causing him to devastate [illegible] the Power Battery. Now freed, Parallax had attached itself to Jordan's soul, remaining even while Jordan played host to the Spectre.

The ultimate showdown with Parallax united Green Lanterns John Stewart, Guy Gardner, Kilowog, Kyle Rayner, and Jordan himself, newly restored to life in his original body. The Lanterns locked [illegible] within the Oan power battery, reintroducing the yellow weakness. [illegible] with Parallax's qualities revealed the rings' flaw could [illegible] mastering inner fear.

UNITED FRONT *[illegible] that Parallax [illegible]*

DUAL IDENTITY [illegible]

THE SINESTRO CORPS WAR

Sinestro had [illegible] Jordan's Parallax [illegible] believed. He gathered followers [illegible] a mirror opposite of the Green Lantern Corps. Instead of willpower, the yellow rings of the Sinestro Corps fed on fear. Jordan took the fight to the Sinestro Corps headquarters on Qward in the anti-matter universe, then defended Earth when Sinestro made it [illegible] target. Parallax, freed by the Sinestro Corps, possessed Kyle Rayner before being split into pieces and stored in the personal power batteries of John Stewart, Rayner, and Guy Gardner.

EVIL'S MIGHT *[illegible]*

SUPERVILLAINY [illegible] Kyle Rayner [illegible]

CHALLENGES AND CLASHES

Hal Jordan rejoined Earth's super-hero community. He also took up his duties as Green Lantern of sector 2814, sharing responsibilities with John Stewart. In his civilian identity, Jordan worked as a test pilot and captain in the U.S. Air Force, operating out of the slowly rebuilding Coast City. Jordan's former rogues gallery was quick to notice his return. He soon clashed with Hector Hammond, Black Hand, and the Tattooed Man. After the [illegible] in a POW camp after his jet went down [illegible]. Other challenges included a confrontation with Amon Sur (son of Abin Sur, who gave Jordan his first power ring) and his old nemesis Star Sapphire. Jordan served briefly with the Justice League of America until ceding his spot to John Stewart.

VIOLET ENERGY *Star Sapphire [illegible] Jordan [illegible]*

JOHN STEWART AND THE GREAT TEN

After the return of Hal Jordan and the [illegible] Lantern Corps, John Stewart [illegible] co-[illegible] Earth's space sector 2814. Stewart was [illegible] internal standoff that followed the Infinite [illegible] fugitives to the Chinese border and provoked [illegible] Great Ten. Stewart later accepted a position with the Justice League of America after Hal Jordan stepped down, and [illegible] with Lex Luthor [illegible] League Unlimited. [illegible] his architectural training to [illegible] new Hall in Washington, D.C.

GUY GARDNER'S MISSION

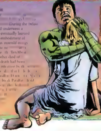
[illegible] Earth [illegible] Superman [illegible] ultimate [illegible] the Green Lantern Corps [illegible] Corps War, he fought the [illegible] Earth. DW

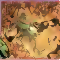
BODY'S REJECTION [illegible]

NEW [illegible] Kyle Rayner [illegible]

KYLE RAYNER: MAGIC AND LOSS

[illegible] Rayner [illegible] During the Infinite Crisis, he [illegible] the death of Jade and underwent a [illegible] transformation into Ion. Rayner eventually learned that Ion [illegible] being, the living embodiment of willpower that [illegible] the Green Lantern's emerald energy. The Guardians [illegible] Rayner Ion as the [illegible] of Green Lantern [illegible] and [illegible] him [illegible] the Torchbearer. [illegible] suffered a new loss when his mother died of a debilitating illness. He soon learned her death had been [illegible] Sinestro had arranged [illegible] by the [illegible] Despotellis. Weak[illegible] Rayner became the new host for Parallax [illegible] Sinestro Corps War. Guy Gardner helped Rayner break Parallax's hold [illegible] death. After [illegible] Ray Palmer.

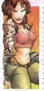




SAYING GOODBYE *Kyle Rayner [illegible] nearly [illegible]*

GRACE

FIRST APPEARANCE OUTSIDERS (3rd series) #1 (August 2003)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Grace Choi
OCCUPATION Nightclub bouncer **BASE** Metropolis
HEIGHT 7ft **WEIGHT** 230 lbs
EYES Brown (wears purple contact lenses) **HAIR** Black (dyed auburn)
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Superstrength; is a powerful brawler and fighter



Grace Choi is an Amazon with [illegible], from the [illegible] tribe known as the Bana[illegible]. Grace was head of [illegible] at Chaney's, a bar and [illegible] Metropolis that caters to a [illegible] clientele. Chaney's [illegible] offered a safe space for [illegible] powered heroes and villains [illegible]. Grace worked there until she accepted Arsenal's offer to [illegible] new team of Outsiders [illegible] had banded together after the [illegible] of the New Titans and Young Justice. While serving with the Outsiders, Grace earned notoriety for her brutal fighting, and she secretly struck up a [illegible] her teammate Thunder. She has since [illegible] Batman's new Outsiders. DW

GRAVEDIGGER

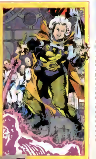
FIRST APPEARANCE MEN OF WAR #1 (August 1977)
STATUS Hero (believed retired) **REAL NAME** Captain Ulysses Hazard
OCCUPATION Soldier **BASE** Europe
HEIGHT 6ft 2in **WEIGHT** 201 lbs **EYES** Brown **HAIR** Brown
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Excellent athlete; trained to use most weapons and in all forms of combat; above-average strength and speed.

A REAL HERO [illegible]

After overcoming polio as a child, Ulysses Hazard worked to strengthen his body, relearning how to walk and run. As a result, this native of Birmingham, Alabama, excelled in every way. He enlisted at the outbreak of World War II and once again proved exceptional with his army training. Frustrated at being continually sent on graves detail simply because of his skin color, he went AWOL. Journeying to Washington, D.C., he slipped past security and broke into the offices of the Joint Chiefs of Staff to prove that he was more than just a gravedigger. Impressed, they turned him into a one-man unit, sending him on secret missions in the European Theater of Operations. Along the way he suffered an injury that left a cross-shaped scar at the bridge of his nose. His post World War II whereabouts remain unrecorded. RG

GRANNY GOODNESS

FIRST APPEARANCE MISTER MIRACLE (1st series) #2 (May 1971)
STATUS Villain **REAL NAME** None
OCCUPATION Headmistress **BASE** Apokolips
HEIGHT 5ft 10in **WEIGHT** 256 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** White
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Robust for her age. Granny is a formidable fighter; however she usually gets her way by the sheer force of her evil will; her personal arsenal includes electrocuting energy-gauntlets.



[illegible] Goodness was one of the finest [illegible] in the armies of Apokolips, easily beating her [illegible]. Rising quickly through the ranks, [illegible] act of loyalty when ordered [illegible] Mercy, Goodness blasted her [illegible] before Darkseid. Goodness had [illegible] her beloved beast when the [illegible] the warhound's true master [illegible] her to death. Pleasing Darkseid [illegible] Goodness graduated with honors [illegible] of but a few females among Darkseid's [illegible] she would be known as Granny [illegible] of a number of nightmarish [illegible] across the planet Apokolips. There [illegible] brand of dominance and discipline [illegible] the lost children of the Armagetto to [illegible] minions of Darkseid. Granny's previous [illegible] Scott Free (Mister Miracle) and Big Barda [illegible] the Female Furies. Recently [illegible] the Olympian [illegible] and took Athena's place to manipulate [illegible]. SB

HEADMISTRESS The orphans [illegible]

NO MERCY In her youth, Goodness [illegible] her warhound Mercy, but Darkseid forced her to kill her pet.

GRAYVEN

FIRST APPEARANCE GREEN LANTERN (3rd series) #71 (February 1996)
STATUS Villain (deceased) **REAL NAME** Grayven
OCCUPATION Galactic conqueror **BASE** Mobile
HEIGHT 6ft 8in **WEIGHT** 425 lbs **EYES** Red **HAIR** Grey
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Superstrength, increased durability and stamina; is a megalomaniac whose brilliant head for military tactics is undermined by an overwhelming need to feed his ago

[illegible] Darkseid [illegible] Grayven [illegible] the bitter knowledge that he possessed only a fraction of the power enjoyed by his father, the Lord of Apokolips. When that knowledge became intolerable, he gathered a fleet and began conquering worlds. On Rann he decimated the intergalactic Darkstars police force and crippled Darkstar (and former Green Lantern) John Stewart. Green Lantern Kyle Rayner put a stop to Grayven on several occasions. During the Imperiex War (see Great Battles, pp. 362-3), Grayven allied with Brainiac 13 while pretending to be on his father's side. When Darkseid discovered Grayven's treachery he banished him to another realm. Grayven was soon back, however, turning up in New York City. During the Death of the New Gods event, Grayven came face to face with the Fourth World mystery killer and lost his life. DW

GREAT 10

First Appearance 52 #6 (June 2006)
Status Hero team
Base Great Wall Complex, China
CURRENT MEMBERS AND POWERS
August General in Iron Armored team leader; carries energy staff
Accomplished Perfect Physician Can use his voice to heal others, destroy matter, or create earthquakes
Celestial Archer Expert with a bow and arrow
Ghost Fox Killer Possesses supernatural control over trapped spirits
Immortal Man in Darkness Pilots a shape-changing Durlan fighter craft
Mother of Champions Can give birth to hundreds of super soldiers per month
Seven Deadly Brothers Can split into seven bodies
Shaolin Robot Relentless superpowered machine
Socialist Red Guardsman Radioactive mutant encased in armor
Thundermind Multiple powers based on Buddhist Siddhis

The Great Ten are the government super team of the People's Republic of China. Led by August General in Iron, the Great Ten referred to as [illegible] by their country's communist government and operate out of a complex built into the Great Wall. They first made their presence known following the Infinite Crisis, preventing two Green Lanterns from entering Chinese airspace due to a treaty their country had signed with Black Adam's nation of Khandaq. The United Nations organization Checkmate fought the Great Ten while infiltrating a Chinese facility [illegible] is also a member of the Great Ten [illegible] Others in the group [illegible] him defend [illegible] Island base from a joint assault by Checkmate and the Outsiders. August General in Iron later joined Checkmate as Black King's Bishop.

KEY
1) Thundermind **2)** Socialist Red Guardsman **3)** August General in Iron **4)** Ghost Fox Killer **5)** Accomplished Perfect Physician **6)** One of the Seven Deadly Brothers **7)** Celestial Archer

GREEN LANTERN CORPS

FIRST APPEARANCE (I) GREEN LANTERN (1st series) #1 (March 1962); (II) GREEN LANTERN: THE NEW CORPS #1 (April 1999)
Status Hero team **Base** Interstellar space
MEMBERS AND POWERS
There have been thousands of Green Lanterns throughout history, each armed with a power ring that is limited only by its wearer's will. Prominent members include: **Ae, Amanita, Arisia (deceased), Arkkis Chummuck (deceased), Ash, Boodikka, Brik, Cary Wren, Ch'P (deceased), Chaselon, Eddore, Flodo Span (deceased), G'nort, Galius Zed (deceased), Green Man, Guy Gardner, Hal Jordan, Hollika Ran (deceased), Jack T. Chance, John Stewart, Katma Tui (deceased), Kilowog, Kraken, Laroox, Medphyll, Mogo, Salakk, Sinestro (deceased), Stel, Tomar-Tu, Tomar-Re (deceased), Torquemada, Zax.**

The Green Lantern Corps was founded by the Guardians of the Universe three billion years ago to curb the spread of evil throughout the universe. The Guardians divided the cosmos into 3,600 known sectors and recruited the Corps from individuals who could courageously defend their segment of space with their specially crafted power rings. The Green Lanterns guarded the universe [illegible] combating evil and abiding by a code of conduct set by the Guardians. Hal Jordan of Earth became one of the most exemplary Green Lanterns, while Sinestro became one of the most notorious criminals. [illegible] Crisis (see Great Battles pp. 36[illegible]) the Guardians forsook control of the Corps [illegible] individual sectors were abandoned to their own devices. Hal Jordan and [illegible] contingent of Green Lanterns settled [illegible] when the alien despot Mongul [illegible] Coast City, Jordan went mad with [illegible] from the Guardians to resurrect the city [illegible] possessed by Parallax, destroyed the Power [illegible] the surviving Green Lantern Kyle Rayner [illegible] reinstated Corps. During the [illegible] Corps [illegible] the Guardians authorized the use of lethal force [illegible] of the Green Lantern Corps. With the Sinestro Corps' yellow rings representing fear [illegible] to the green glow of willpower, Corps representing [illegible] emotional [illegible] have recently appeared [illegible] include the [illegible] Lanterns, the Violet Lanterns, the Red Lanterns, the Blue Lanterns, the Indigo Lanterns [illegible] the Black Lanterns. **PJ**

INFINITE CRISIS [illegible] Lanterns [illegible] battle [illegible] to [illegible] Oa and [illegible]

THE NEW CORPS [illegible] Kilowog [illegible] Kyle Rayner. **1)** Kilowog **2)** [illegible] **3)** Soranik Natu **4)** [illegible]

GUARDIAN

FIRST APPEARANCE STAR SPANGLED COMICS #7 (April 1942)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** James Jacob Harper
OCCUPATION Adventurer **BASE** Metropolis
HEIGHT 6ft 1in **WEIGHT** 203 lbs **EYES** Blue
HAIR Brown
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Jim Harper (and his various clones) possessed the training every beat cop receives in addition to being an accomplished athlete.

GUARDIAN ANGEL [illegible] human being or a [illegible] force, Jim Harper was ready to protect the innocent from all forms of [illegible]

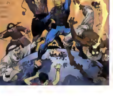
PROTECTIVE SHIELD [illegible]

[illegible] cop James Jacob Harper [illegible] of the Guardian [illegible] Will [illegible] the Newsboy Legion [illegible] Morgan [illegible] the youthful members of the Newsboy Legion [illegible] guiding their youths [illegible]

[illegible] His [illegible] Cadmus [illegible] complete [illegible] Cadmus [illegible]

The Guardian was [illegible] was cloned [illegible] The Mark [illegible] clones and fulfilled [illegible]

IN HIS IMAGE [illegible]



SURROUNDED [illegible] Manhattan [illegible]

GUARDIANS OF THE UNIVERSE

FIRST APPEARANCE GREEN LANTERN (2nd series) #50 (March 1994)
STATUS Cosmic superbeings **BASE** The planet Oa
NOTABLE MEMBERS AND POWERS
Ganthet (leader): Possesses telekinetic and telepathic powers, immortality, flight, and the ability to wield energies from the Central Power Battery.
Lianna: Similar powers to Ganthet, though limited by the inexperience of youth.

SINGLE SEX [illegible] made [illegible] only [illegible]

Once the mentors of the cosmos' myriad species, the Guardians of the Universe saw five billion years of [illegible] come to a rude end within the last decade—even immortal beings, it seems, can be killed. The Guardians [illegible] on the [illegible] planet Maltus. When one of their number, the scientist Krona, [illegible] sought to observe the Great Hand that called the universe into being, a blast of [illegible] power created an evil mirror universe of antimatter. Stricken with [illegible] the Maltusians migrated to Oa and declared themselves an eternal force for order—the Guardians of the Universe. Some Oans, feeling that evil should be sought out and destroyed, became the more proactive Controllers.

The Guardians first created robotic peacekeepers each called Manhunter (who later rebelled against their creators), then deputized thousands of alien beings into the interplanetary GREEN LANTERN CORPS. The female Oans eventually left the planet to form their own warrior society, the Zamarons.

In modern times the Guardians left the universe with the Zamarons to create a new breed of immortals, then returned after the destruction of the Central Power Battery. Restoring the battery's energies, they [illegible] the Corps only to die when former champion Hal Jordan, the second GREEN LANTERN, devastated Oa in his quest for power. Kyle Rayner, the current Green Lantern, resurrected the Guardians as infants [illegible] them to be raised by the sole original Guardian, Ganthet. During the Sinestro Corps War the Guardians rewrote the Book of Oa to authorize the use of lethal force. **DW**

REJUVENATION *The Guardians* [illegible] *and females, though* [illegible] *long it will take for them to assume* [illegible] *adult forms.*

GUNFIRE

FIRST APPEARANCE DEATHSTROKE ANNUAL #2 (Summer 1993)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Andrew Van Horn
OCCUPATION Munitions expert **BASE** New York City
HEIGHT 6ft 1in **WEIGHT** 190 lbs **EYES** Green **HAIR** Red
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Able to psychokinetically transform small objects into explosive energy projectiles, which he uses as concussive weapons; skilled hand-to-hand combatant.

Andrew Van Horn is the wealthy [illegible] Van Horn Industries, a powerful international conglomerate. Years ago, Andrew and his father were attacked by an alien parasite in one of the Van Horn warehouses in Paris. The elder Van Horn perished, but Andrew was changed into a [illegible] human with the ability to transform objects by accelerating their particles and warping them into explosive weapons. Andrew was one of many "New Bloods" (see [illegible]) accidentally created by the parasites. He joined forces with these fledgling heroes and the JUSTICE LEAGUE OF AMERICA to stop the parasites' reign of terror. Andrew then learned that his father had been an arms dealer with [illegible] criminals and vowed to put an end to his [illegible] legacy. During his JLA membership, [illegible] [illegible] the terrorist activities of villains like the [illegible] and their leader Dominus. Dominus was [illegible] Van Horn's employee who tried to steal the weapons [illegible] crippled [illegible] defeat [illegible] PJ

ATTACK OF THE PARASITES [illegible]

GUNNER AND SARGE

FIRST APPEARANCE OUR FIGHTING FORCES #45 (May 1958)
STATUS Heroes (Sarge is deceased) **REAL NAMES** "Gunner" MacKay (full name unrevealed), "Sarge" Clay (full name unrevealed)
OCCUPATIONS Private U.S. Marines, Sergeant U.S. Marines
BASE Mobile **HEIGHT** 5ft 10in; 6ft **WEIGHT** 162 lbs; 205 lbs
EYES (both characters) Blue **HAIR** blond; reddish blond
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Highly skilled commandos; Gunner favored a Thompson machine gun, and is now a cyborg with guns for arms.

[illegible]

STRANDED [illegible] Sarge and [illegible]

GUNS BLAZING [illegible] Sarge [illegible]

GUNSHOT

FIRST APPEARANCE JUSTICE LEAGUE OF AMERICA (2nd series) #78 (August 1993)
STATUS Villain **REAL NAME** Unknown
OCCUPATION Member of New Extremists **BASE** Mobile
HEIGHT 6ft 1in **WEIGHT** 202 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Black
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Wears armored battlesuit bristling with weapons, which enhances his natural marksmanship.

Little is known about the villain known as Gunshot. He rarely [illegible] a bullet [illegible] killer [illegible] appears [illegible] super [illegible] New Extremists [illegible] resembled by [illegible] extra-dimensional [illegible] OVERMASTER [illegible] Cloudburst, Death Angel, and MEANSTREAK, [illegible] failed [illegible] the JUSTICE LEAGUE OF AMERICA. A second opportunity presented itself when [illegible] the energies of a machine [illegible] the [illegible] OVERMASTER. Dreamslayer [illegible] the New Extremists to his side but again failed [illegible] Dreamslayer then dispensed with Dreamslayer [illegible] the New Extremists directly pulling them [illegible] CADRE. Since the Cadre [illegible] kept a low profile. DW

GYPSY

FIRST APPEARANCE JUSTICE LEAGUE OF AMERICA (1st series) ANNUAL #2 (November 1984)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Cynthia "Cindy" Reynolds
OCCUPATION Adventurer **BASE** Mobile
HEIGHT 5ft 6in **WEIGHT** 130 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Black
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Chameleon-like camouflage powers allow her to blend into her surroundings; can project realistic illusions into the minds of certain targets.

A [illegible] Detroit [illegible] Cindy Reynolds [illegible] her special camouflage powers during a battle with the alien Cadre. Invited to join the JUSTICE LEAGUE OF AMERICA, Cindy "Gypsy" kept her past and real name secret from the League. After the League's [illegible] PROFESSOR IVO began [illegible] Gypsy's fellow [illegible] she returned to a normal life living in suburbia with her parents.

Tragically, Gypsy's parents were killed by the alien DESPERO. Saved from Despero's wrath by the MARTIAN MANHUNTER, Gypsy returned to adventuring and joined BLOODWYNN'S CONFEDERATE. Later, Gypsy became a member of the Justice League Task Force and died but was resurrected by the Martian Manhunter and the Martian god H'ronmeer. Gypsy has also served as a member of the BIRDS OF PREY. PJ

HACKER FILES, THE

FIRST APPEARANCE THE HACKER FILES #1 (August 1992)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Jack Marshall
OCCUPATION Freelance systems analyst
BASE Raleigh, North Carolina
HEIGHT 6ft **WEIGHT** 175 lbs **EYES** Brown **HAIR** Black
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES One of the world's most brilliant computer programmers, however, in terms of physical ability he is totally unathletic.

Jack Marshall may not have been called a [illegible] in his young life, but he was a pretty smart nerd who knew how to exploit his computer skills to the maximum. One of his earliest software [illegible] a best-selling computer game entitled *Cash of the Hurt*. He subsequently joined the cutting-edge company Digitronix. Along with company president Donny Travis, Jack developed the Digitronix computer, the most advanced system on Earth at the time.

Jack's problems began when asked for a profit-sharing deal. Greedy Senior Vice President Walter Sutcliffe turned him down flat. Boiling with resentment, Jack tried to steal the system but was caught, fired, and [illegible] blacklisted by the industry. The Digitronix system proved hugely successful and was used in the Batcave, [illegible] and Oracle's headquarters. The system is so much a part of Marshall that when problems arise he is frequently called in to help fix them. [illegible] doing, Jack uncovered a mysterious set of [illegible] linking the system to similar models in Japan and China. With the help of the Speed Metal Kids, a young team hanging out on the Internet, Marshall has discovered Digitronix is trying to develop artificial intelligence. RG

HADES

FIRST APPEARANCE WONDER WOMAN (2nd series) #1 (February 1987)
STATUS Olympian god **REAL NAME** Hades
OCCUPATION Ruler of the underworld **BASE** Tartarus
HEIGHT 6ft 2in **WEIGHT** 190 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Black
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Immortal, able to summon vast magical forces.

Hades is the Greek god of the Underworld, one of the many children of the Titans [illegible]. Although Hades had dominion over the realm of all dead souls, including the [illegible] Elysian Fields, he is most known for his stewardship of the infernal Tartarus, where wicked spirits spent all eternity. He shared control of his territory with his wife, Persephone.

Hades has often found himself in league with his nephew Ares to conquer the other Olympians, though Ares is frequently quick to betray his uncle. Wonder Woman has also played a notable role in Hades' history, journeying to the underworld to slay monsters or restore fallen heroes to life. Recently Hades fell to Ares' back-stabbing, losing control of the lands of the dead to the [illegible] War. DW

HALO

FIRST APPEARANCE THE BRAVE AND THE BOLD #200 (July 1983)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Violet Harper/Gabrielle Doe/Marissa Baron
OCCUPATION Adventurer **BASE** Los Angeles
HEIGHT 5ft 7in **WEIGHT** 127 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Blonde
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Flight, halo of energy provide a variety of powers depending on color of spectrum.

Killed by the assassin [illegible], Violet Harper [illegible] a new life [illegible] Aurakles [illegible] her body and wiped her memory clean. Choosing the name Gabrielle Doe, she joined Batman's Outsiders team under the codename Halo. Her Aurakle abilities surrounded her in a halo of energy in varying colors: red (heat), orange (force blasts), yellow (light), green (tractor beam), blue (distortion effect), indigo (tractor beam), violet (all powers at once). Initially the legal ward of teammate Katana, she reunited with Violet Harper's parents, who since died. Halo served with the second incarnation of the Outsiders and reconnected with her original personality. Halo has since served in a supporting role, helping find heroes lost in space during the Infinite Crisis and helping battle Black Adam during World War III. DW

HAMMER AND SICKLE

FIRST APPEARANCE OUTSIDERS (1st series) #10 (August 1986)
STATUS Villains **REAL NAMES** Boris and Natasha (last names not revealed) **OCCUPATION** Enforcers **BASE** Russian Federation
HEIGHT (Boris) 6ft 1in, (Natasha) 5ft 10in **WEIGHT** (Boris) 195 lbs, (Natasha) 151 lbs **EYES** (both) Blue **HAIR** (both) Blond
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Superstrength, martial arts skills, skilled masters of their respective weapons.

Hammer and Sickle are members of the People's Heroes, a group of superbeings in [illegible] the Soviet [illegible] created to duplicate the powers of the American [illegible] Force of July. Boris and Natasha [illegible] Hammer and Sickle after their powerful weapons, [illegible] with the People's Heroes twice clashing [illegible] with the Outsiders.

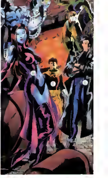
Later, Hammer and Sickle were [illegible] Russian defectors in San Francisco [illegible] Red Star, another Russian hero, who [illegible] in a prisoner exchange between nations. Hammer and Sickle later emerged in Gotham City, hoping to take revenge [illegible] by threatening his [illegible] daughter. PJ

HANGMEN, THE

FIRST APPEARANCE THE TITANS SECRET FILES AND ORIGINS #2 (September 2000)
STATUS Villain team **BASE** New York City
MEMBERS AND POWERS
BREATHTAKER Can suck the oxygen out of her victim's lungs
PROVOKER Can psychically induce suicidal behavior
STRANGLEHOLD Vast superstrength
SHOCK TRAUMA Can generate electricity from his body
KILLSHOT Cyborg armed with multiple offensive weapons

The Hangmen are a group of mercenary superpowered assassins, many of whom are international fugitives. Bound by nothing but their desire for money and wealth, the Hangmen have no personal, moral or ethical principles. They will only take jobs that pay them millions of dollars and will use whatever methods possible to take out their targets.

The Hangmen were originally hired by [illegible] from Qurac, a Middle Eastern country, to assassinate the terrorist Cheshire. The Hangmen targeted her daughter, Lian, to get to her but came to blows with Lian's father, Arsenal, and his Teen Titans teammates. Soon after, Breathtaker took part in [illegible] scheme to take over Manhattan, but all of the Hangmen were infected [illegible] the Joker [illegible]. PJ



HANGMEN [illegible]
1) Killshot 2) [illegible]
3) Shock Trauma 4) Provoker 5) Breathtaker

HAMMOND, HECTOR

FIRST APPEARANCE GREEN LANTERN (2nd series) #5 (April 1961)
STATUS Villain **REAL NAME** Hector Hammond
OCCUPATION Criminal mastermind **BASE** The Slab (a meta-human penitentiary) **HEIGHT** 5ft 1in **WEIGHT** 146 lbs **EYES** Blue
HAIR Brown (white at temples)
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Possesses incredible intelligence, one of the strongest telepathic minds on Earth.

While hiding out in the California hills to evade the law, petty criminal Hector Hammond came upon a fallen meteor that was causing nearby foliage to evolve into forms that would not exist for another 100,000 years. After carrying the meteor back to his hideout, Hammond kidnapped four prominent scientists and exposed them to the meteor, which changed them into future-men whose heightened mental abilities were balanced by their weakened willpower. Hammond forced the scientists to invent amazing items, for which he himself took the credit. This brought Hammond to the attention of the second, who had been searching for the missing scientists.

After a lengthy battle, Green Lantern II defeated Hammond, turned him over to the authorities and restored the scientists to normal. However, Hammond escaped jail and, using the rays of the meteor, changed himself into a future-man with an oversized brain. Determined to become immortal, Hammond bathed once more in the rays.

He became immortal—but completely immobile. Hal Jordan's resurrection from the dead inspired Hammond to return to active villainy, participating in a prison break during the Infinite Crisis. RG

IMMOBILE *Hammond wanted future technology to get rich. He never imagined the high price he would pay.*

BRAIN POWER *Despite being immobile, Hammond refuses to end his quest for power, even taking on a New God.*

HARBINGER

STATUS Hero (deceased) **REAL NAME** Lyla Michaels
OCCUPATION Hero **BASE** Themyscira
HEIGHT 5ft 5in **WEIGHT** 128 lbs **EYES** Green **HAIR** Blonde
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Flight; projected energy bolts from her hands; replicated herself into multiple, autonomous duplicates; possessed the History of the Universe orb, a record of every heroic [illegible]

When her family drowned in a shipwreck, young Lyla Michaels was saved by the robot drone of the Monitor. This being, a watcher [illegible] gather information on superpowered beings across the universes and amass an army [illegible] the Anti-Monitor [illegible] the Monitor in this impending conflict, which [illegible] the Crisis (see Great Battles, pp. 362–3). [illegible] special powers and a crew in the Monitor's [illegible] This is his most loyal ally, Harbinger. Following the Monitor's death and the end of the Crisis, Harbinger [illegible] member of the now-defunct New Guardians. She was killed by the Female Furies while working as a [illegible] Themyscira (see Amazing Bases, pp. 12–13). SB

HARDLINE

FIRST APPEARANCE JUSTICE LEAGUE OF AMERICA (1st series) #233 (December 1984)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Armando Ramone
OCCUPATION Adventurer **BASE** Mobile
HEIGHT 6ft 2in **WEIGHT** 210 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Black
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Can manipulate soundwaves, using their frequency and vibration in subtle or overt ways; street fighter with no formal combat training.

Paco Ramone and his older brother Armando, were both born with the ability to manipulate sound waves. Growing up in [illegible] of Detroit, they didn't [illegible] their powers and fell in with the El Lobos gang. Paco eventually used his gift for good [illegible] a short-lived incarnation of the JUSTICE LEAGUE OF AMERICA. When Paco was killed in battle, Armando was shaken. He abandoned the street gang he was in and honed his powers, taking on a costumed identity. [illegible] as part of a team rather than operate solo, Armando Ramone allied himself with the CONGLOMERATE under the names Hardline and Reverb. RG

HARDSELL

FIRST APPEARANCE STEEL #0 (2nd series) (October 1994)
STATUS Villain **REAL NAME** Unknown
OCCUPATION Member, Team Hazard's Black Ops **BASE** Mobile
HEIGHT 9ft **WEIGHT** 845 lbs **EYES** Brown **HAIR** Brown
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Superstrength and invulnerability; astoundingly powerful physique; can also fly courtesy of a Team Hazard-issued jet pack.

A true giant of a man, Hardsell boasts a meta-human physique that is enough to make most normal opponents tremble in their boots and surrender without a fight. He is the powerhouse of the Black Ops team assembled by the criminal mastermind HAZARD. He is able to plow through scores of [illegible] worrying about anything scratching [illegible] In his first battle with the super hero STEEL, Hardsell took a spray of red-hot rivets full in the face, which only staggered him for a moment. Later, Hardsell tended Hazard's headquarters from Steel [illegible] the bunker on a rampage of revenge. Hardsell's [illegible] attack came to a quick end, however, when a [illegible] mass pod attached to his skin electrically [illegible] his gravity and pinning him helplessly to the floor. Despite his bluster and bravado, Hardsell is rapidly learning the hard way that massive muscle power isn't enough when he goes toe-to-toe with super heroes. DW

HARJAVTI, RUMAAN & SUMAAN

FIRST APPEARANCE (Rumaan) Justice League #2 (June 1987) (Sumaan) Justice League AMERICA #54 (September 1991)
STATUS Villains (Sumaan deceased)
REAL NAMES Rumaan and Sumaan Harjavti
OCCUPATION Dictators **BASE** Bialya
HEIGHT (both) 5ft 10in **WEIGHT** (Rumaan) 170 lbs (Sumaan) 175 lbs
EYES (both) Brown **HAIR** (both) Black
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES
No meta-human abilities, both ruthless megalomaniacs.

Rumaan Harjavti was once the dictator of the African nation of Bialya. A constant enemy of the Justice League International (see JUSTICE LEAGUE OF AMERICA), Harjavti tricked the alien Champions of Angor into helping in his country's political conflict with the Soviet Union and later joined with the JOKER in an unsuccessful attempt to destroy the international hero team. Rumaan was murdered by Queen Bee I and Rumaan's twin brother Sumaan took control of Bialya. He killed Queen Bee and took control of the GLOBAL GUARDIANS, who had been hypnotised by her. They became Sumaan's agents defending Bialya against a coup by Lower Pholas, a small neighboring nation. The Guardians were freed from their hypnotic control and left Bialya. Sumaan's grip on power was ended by the dictator Colonel Rajak (see RAJAK, COLONEL [illegible]). PJ

EVIL TWIN *Rumaan and Sumaan [illegible] a closely [illegible] each other [illegible] hard to tell them apart. This is Rumaan.*

HARLEY QUINN

FIRST APPEARANCE BATMAN: HARLEY QUINN #1 (October 1999)
STATUS Villain **REAL NAME** Dr. Harleen Quinzel
OCCUPATION Professional criminal **BASE** Gotham City
HEIGHT 5ft 7in **WEIGHT** 140 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Blonde
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES An agile acrobat following exposure to Poison Ivy's herbal remedies; once a gifted psychotherapist, she is now dangerously unbalanced like the Joker; often employs various goofy weapons in her bag of tricks.

[illegible]

CHILDREN [illegible] Harley [illegible] Joker [illegible] known to have a few with the Joker someday.

[illegible]

HARRIGAN, HOP

FIRST APPEARANCE ALL-AMERICAN COMICS #1 (April 1939)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Hop Harrigan
OCCUPATION Aviator **BASE** Mobile
HEIGHT 5ft 7in **WEIGHT** 145 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Blond
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES A superb pilot and tactician with no formal training as a fighter.

[illegible] New York [illegible] RG

HAUNTED TANK

FIRST APPEARANCE G.I. Combat #87 (May 1961)
STATUS Hero team **BASE** Europe during World War II
MEMBERS AND POWERS
Lt. Jeb Stuart Sherman tank commander
Cpl. Arch Asher (deceased) Loader
Sgt. Bill Craig (deceased) Gunner
Pvt. Eddie Craig (deceased) Bill Craig's son
Cpl. Gus Gray (deceased) Second gunner
Pvt. Rick Rawlins Gunner
Cpl. Slim Stryker (deceased) Driver

[illegible] was actually a [illegible] Jeb Stuart during World War II [illegible] the Great [illegible] Confederate General James Ewell Brown (J.E.B.) [illegible] to become the ghostly guardian [illegible] M3 tank in North Africa [illegible] a Yankee [illegible] ghost [illegible] PJ

HAWK AND DOVE

FIRST APPEARANCE (Hank & Don) SHOWCASE #75 (July 1968)
STATUS Heroes **REAL NAMES** Hank Hall, Holly Granger (Hawk); Don Hall, Dawn Marie Granger (Dove)
OCCUPATIONS (both) Adventurers **BASE** (both) Washington, D.C.
HEIGHT (Hank) 5ft 10in (6ft 3in as Hawk); (Don) 6ft **WEIGHT** (Hank) 181 lbs (220 lbs as Hawk); (Don) 175 lbs **EYES** (both) Brown **HAIR** (Hank) Brown; (Don) Black and thinning **SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES** (both) Faster than human speed; heightened body density.

[illegible] Hall [illegible] by the Lord [illegible] Lords of Chaos, into the super [illegible] Dove. They bickered but fought alongside [illegible] briefly joining the TEEN TITANS until [illegible] the Crisis (see Great Battles, pp. [illegible]) [illegible] seeking help to save her mother [illegible] Lords of Order and Chaos. [illegible] Dawn became Dove II [illegible] original Dove of his powers, leading to [illegible] up with Hank Hall and a new [illegible] were formed. In the mountain world of [illegible] much about their abilities and [illegible] on opposite sides in the war between the [illegible] Order. When their creators died, Hawk and [illegible] the essence of their respective creators [illegible] of Hank Hall, murdered Dove and [illegible] entered time, in a temporal loop [illegible] Monarch. With no Hawk [illegible] these roles [illegible] and [illegible] RG

HAWK, SON OF TOMAHAWK

FIRST APPEARANCE TOMAHAWK #131 (December 1970)
STATUS Hero (deceased) **REAL NAME** Unknown **OCCUPATION** Adventurer
BASE Echo Valley, American Midwest **HEIGHT** 5ft 10in
WEIGHT 166 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Brown with blond streak
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Expert marksman, horseman, and tracker. His bravery and idealism made him an effective frontier diplomat.

A [illegible] Revolutionary War hero, Hawk had [illegible] boots to fill, but he became a hero in [illegible] right. [illegible] in a log cabin, Hawk learned the ways [illegible] from his father and the [illegible] [illegible] all men were created equal and [illegible] would [illegible]

[illegible] photography. [illegible] DW

HAWKGIRL

FIRST APPEARANCE JSA SECRET FILES AND ORIGINS #1 (August 1999)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Kendra Saunders
OCCUPATION Adventurer **BASE** St. Roche, Louisiana
HEIGHT 5ft 8in **WEIGHT** 121 lbs **EYES** Green **HAIR** Black
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Able to fly thanks to gravity-defying Nth metal belt; uses giant wings to navigate during flight; aggressive and adept hand-to-hand combatant.

SOUL MATES [illegible] Hawk[illegible]

HAWKMAN

FIRST APPEARANCE FLASH COMICS #1 (January 1940)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Carter Hall
OCCUPATION Adventurer **BASE** St. Roch, Louisiana
HEIGHT 6ft 1in **WEIGHT** 195 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Brown
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Thanagarian Nth Metal on boots and wing harnesses allow him to fly; artificial wings give great speed and agility. Nth Metal permits Hawkman to lift great weights and withstand extremes of temperature during flight; wields a variety of ancient weapons, including shield, dagger, mace, cestus, battleaxe, and more.

ARMED AND DANGEROUS [illegible]

THE WINGED AVENGER

THE STORY OF HAWKMAN begins many millennia ago, during the 15th Dynasty of Ancient Egypt. Prince Khufu and his [illegible] Chay-Ara discovered the wreckage of a spacecraft from the planet Thanagar. After exposure to the mysterious Nth Metal, the vehicle's anti-gravity alloy, Khufu and Chay-Ara were [illegible] by the sinister sorcerer Hath-Set. The Nth Metal initiated a cycle of reincarnation that would see Khufu and Chay-Ara [illegible] times throughout the ages.

BORN AGAIN LOVERS

[illegible] while Chay-Ara [illegible]

CURSED [illegible]

[illegible] Thanagar [illegible]

[illegible] Kendra Saunders [illegible] Carter [illegible] the JSA [illegible] Hawkman [illegible] Kendra Saunders [illegible] joined the JSA. **SB**

TOGETHER FOREVER *The Hawks [illegible] destined to find each other and [illegible]*

FEARLESS FIGHTER *[illegible] JSA, Hawkman [illegible] lovers.*

KEY STORYLINES

- ***LEGEND OF THE HAWKMAN #1–3*** (AUG–SEPT 2000): A retelling of Hawkman and Hawkgirl's connection to distant Thanagar.
- ***JSA SECRET FILES AND ORIGINS #1*** (AUG. 1999): The origin of Hawkgirl signals the reincarnation of Hawkman.
- ***JSA #23–26*** (JUNE–SEPT. 2001): A reborn Carter Hall rejoins the JSA and leads the team to glory.

HAWKWOMAN

FIRST APPEARANCE HAWKWORLD BOOK ONE (1989)
STATUS Hero (deceased) **REAL NAME** Shayera Thal
OCCUPATION Police officer **BASE** Detroit; planet Thanagar
HEIGHT 5ft 7in **WEIGHT** 145 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Red
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Thanagarian armor and wings make Thal a superb flyer; excellent marksman, and vicious combatant.

[illegible] Hawkwoman [illegible] Wingmen [illegible] killed by [illegible] **RG**

HAZARD I

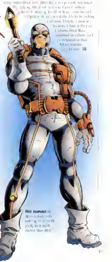
FIRST APPEARANCE INFINITY, INC. #34 (January 1987)
STATUS Villain **REAL NAME** Rebecca "Becky" Sharpe
OCCUPATION Professional criminal **BASE** Mobile
HEIGHT 5ft 6in **WEIGHT** 136 lbs **EYES** Green **HAIR** Red
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Psionic powers and mystic dice give either "good luck" or "bad luck" to her victims.

[illegible] Becky Sharpe [illegible] Hazard [illegible] Wizard [illegible] Injustice Unlimited [illegible] With the [illegible] Wizard [illegible] Hazard [illegible] **PJ**

HEAT WAVE

FIRST APPEARANCE THE FLASH (2nd series) #140 (November 1963)
STATUS Villain (reformed) **REAL NAME** Mick Rory (Mick Colhoun)
OCCUPATION Security Chief **BASE** Metropolis
HEIGHT 5ft 11in **WEIGHT** 179 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** None
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Self-designed Heat Gun generates extremely focused high-temperature flames; costume insulated with thermal damping and heat-resistant material of Rory's own design.

As a child, Mick Rory [illegible] Central City as Heat Wave [illegible] Flash [illegible] Despite a stint as Security Chief at Project Cadmus, Heat Wave returned to villainy and participated in Bart Allen's murder [illegible] **SB**



HOT TEMPERED [illegible]

HAYOTH

FIRST APPEARANCE SUICIDE SQUAD (1st series) #45 (September 1990)
STATUS Hero team **BASE** Israel
CURRENT MEMBERS AND POWERS
Ramban (leader/spiritual guide) Calls upon magical forces of Judaic power.
Golem (Moyshe Nakhman) Powerhouse able to transform his body between solid, liquid, and gaseous forms.
Judith Expert swordswoman, martial artist, and shuriken-throwing whirlwind.
Dybbuk Team strategist; artificial intelligence with the power to control machinery.

The Hayoth [illegible] Suicide Squad [illegible]

[illegible] in pursuit of the International terrorist Kobra. The [illegible] teams shelved their differences to prevent Kobra from destroying Jerusalem's holy Dome of the Rock. Months later the Hayoth attempted to capture the former president of Qurac during his stay in the U.S. The Suicide Squad scrambled to [illegible] the abduction and the Hayoth lost a bitter battle and wound up in U.S. custody. Dybbuk freed his team by helping the Suicide Squad's Amanda Waller (see Waller, Amanda) restore the [illegible] of her operatives. The Hayoth [illegible] **DW**

HOLY WARRIORS [illegible] Hayoth [illegible] threats to their homeland.

HECKLER

First appearance THE HECKLER #1 (September 1992)
Status Hero **Real Name** Stuart Moesly
Occupation Adventurer **Base** Delta City
Height 6ft **Weight** 170 lbs **Eyes** White **Hair** None
Special powers/abilities Damage resistance and enhanced agility; ability to goad his enemies into making mistakes

[illegible] in the [illegible] of [illegible] Delta City [illegible] DW

HELLGRAMITE

First appearance BRAVE AND THE BOLD #80 (October/November 1968)
Status Villain **Real Name** Roderick Rose
Occupation Mercenary **Base** Metropolis
Height 6ft 1in **Weight** 325 lbs **Eyes** Red **Hair** None
Special powers/abilities Enhanced strength and speed; can spin webs or transform others into larval versions of himself

Roderick Rose [illegible] calling himself Hellgramite [illegible] Batman [illegible] DW

HELIX

First appearance INFINITY INC. #17 (August 1985)
Current members and powers **Status** Villain team **Base** California
Mr. Bones Transparent skin and organs, deadly cyanide touch.
Arak the Wind-walker Generates hurricanes and tornadoes.
Babe (formerly Baby Boom) Stopped growing at age five; can explode anything nearby through mental focus.
Kritter Resembles a dog; impressive computer hacking talents.
Penny Dreadful Absorbs electricity and projects it in amplified form.
Tao Jones Levitates, deflects any form of energy directed at her.

All of the members of Helix were [illegible] with meta [illegible] Dr. [illegible] Benjamin [illegible] When Dr. [illegible] of the team [illegible] Mr. Bones [illegible] Infinity Inc. [illegible] Helix [illegible] from the U.S. government. Many now work for the Department of Extranormal Operations, keeping tabs on their fellow meta-humans. Mr. Bones is now [illegible] of the DEO and has been [illegible] against [illegible] his former Infinity [illegible] DW

HELLHOUND

First appearance CATWOMAN (1st series) ANNUAL #2 (July 1995)
Status Villain (deceased) **Real name** Kai
Occupation Assassin **Base** Mobile
Height 5ft 10in **Weight** 175 lbs **Eyes** Brown
Hair Black **Special powers/abilities** A deadly martial artist with a preference for throwing knives and daggers

[illegible] who [illegible] martial arts [illegible] the streets of [illegible] Selina [illegible] fighting skills [illegible] Kai and [illegible] Kai vowed [illegible] became Hellhound [illegible] Catwoman [illegible] mercenary [illegible] burglar [illegible] death [illegible] Jack Clifford [illegible] Hellhound [illegible] an alien [illegible] during Operation: Salvation Run. [illegible]

HERALD (VOX)

First appearance (as Mal) TEEN TITANS (1st series) #26 (April 1970); (as Herald) Secret Origins Annual #3 (1989)
Status Hero **Real name** Malcolm Arnold Duncan
Occupation Restaurateur, musician, adventurer **Base** San Francisco
Height 6ft 1in **Weight** 210 lbs **Eyes** Brown **Hair** Black
Special powers/abilities The now-destroyed Gabriel's Horn device could open warps in space, allowing teleportation. Duncan was a former Golden Gloves amateur boxing champion.

Malcolm "Mal" Duncan was raised in Harlem, NY, with his sister Cindy. When Cindy was harassed by a street gang, Mal single-handedly attacked them and was soon helped by the Teen Titans, who had temporarily given up their costumed identities and happened to be nearby. Joining the Titans but possessing no superpowers of his own, Mal began to feel like an outsider on the team until Karen Beecher, the Bumblebee, helped him create the Gabriel's Horn, a special weapon with teleportational powers. Becoming the Herald, Mal helped the Titans defeat Doctor Light.

Unknown to Mal, his special Horn had been corrupted by the villainous Gargoyle, who hoped to tear a hole in the dimensional fabric in order to release his master, the Antithesis. After the Titans defeated these villains, Mal destroyed the Horn. During the Infinite Crisis, Mal Duncan suffered an accident in space that left him unable to speak. After accepting a cybernetic voice box similar to the Gabriel's Horn, he joined the DOOM PATROL as Vox. **PJ**

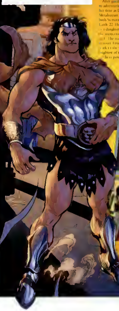
HERO

First appearance SUPERBOY AND THE RAVERS #1 (Sept 1996)
Status Hero **Real name** Hero Cruz
Occupation Adventurer **Base** Metropolis
Height 5ft 9in **Weight** 157 lbs **Eyes** Brown **Hair** Black
Special powers/abilities Internalized H-Dial allows him to transform into a new superbeing with new superpowers for one hour; he never transforms into the same being twice.

Raised in a middle-class Puerto Rican family in Metropolis, Hero Cruz discovered a cache of technology stolen by the Scavenger. He took the Scavenger's Achilles Vest, using its invulnerability powers to join the Event Horizon, a cosmic rave party. Along with Superboy and the Ravers, Hero traveled across the universe with the Event Horizon party. When the Scavenger came searching for his Achilles Vest, he kidnapped several Ravers, including Sparx, whom he believed had stolen the vest. The Ravers tracked the Scavenger to his lair, and Hero discovered a mystical dial with the letters "H," "E," "R," and "O" on it (a Dial "H" for Hero). He used the dial to transform into different superheroes, rescuing Sparx and Superboy and defeating the Scavenger. Sparx fell in love with Hero, but Hero revealed that he was gay. He now lives in San Francisco. **PJ**

HERCULES

First appearance ALL STAR COMICS #8 (December 1941)
Status Hero **Real name** Hercules
Occupation Demi-god **Base** Olympus
Height 6ft 5in **Weight** 327 lbs **Eyes** Blue **Hair** Black
Special powers/abilities Super-strength and near immortality bestowed upon him by his father, Zeus. Hercules is resistant to most injuries and has impressive stamina.



[illegible] island for [illegible]

After [illegible] to adventuring, aiding [illegible] during her time as Diana Prince [illegible] of Metahuman Affairs. He matched his strength with both Superman and Superman's counterpart from Earth-22. He later joined with Wonder Girl (who, as a daughter of Zeus, is his half sister) to investigate the mysterious disappearance of the Olympian gods. [illegible] put them in conflict with the [illegible] Titans. Hercules continues to make his mark in the world of mortals. He may not be the mightiest of the gods, but he makes up for it in [illegible] power. **DW**

Trials of Shazam
[illegible] the young hero.

HIPPOLYTA

FIRST APPEARANCE WONDER WOMAN (2nd series) #1 (February 1987)
STATUS Hero (deceased) **REAL NAME** Hippolyta
OCCUPATION Former Queen of the Amazons **BASE** Elysian Fields
HEIGHT 5ft 9in **WEIGHT** 150 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Black
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Granted eternal life by the gods of Mount Olympus and gifted with amazing strength, speed, and agility; wore the Girdle of Gaea, which magically protected the Amazons from subjugation by men before it was forged into Wonder Woman's golden Lasso of Truth.

Wh[illegible] cavewoman [illegible] 1400 years [illegible] brutish [illegible] spirit was collected by the Earth Mother [illegible] and deposited in the Well of Souls, which held the [illegible] of slain women from past ages. Zeus, King [illegible] (see OLYMPIAN GODS) called for the creation of [illegible] of humankind to bring glory to the gods [illegible] Olympian goddesses restored life to these waiting souls. Among the women reincarnated was that tragic cavewoman, reborn as Hippolyta, Queen of the Amazons.

NAZI FIGHTER [illegible]

LEAVING MAN'S WORLD

The gods [illegible] dwelt in peace within their [illegible] and Ares [illegible] sent Zeus's son Heracles [illegible] Hippolyta [illegible] the Amazon. Her sisterhood divided, Hippolyta [illegible] loyal Amazons to rebuild Themyscira on an [illegible] there they lived for centuries hidden from the world [illegible] Hippolyta's yearning for the [illegible] child [illegible] was heard by the gods. They [illegible] soon as she did so they breathed [illegible] would one day become WONDER WOMAN [illegible] immortalized herself by time traveling [illegible] of the wartime JUSTICE SOCIETY OF AMERICA. [illegible] Hippolyta led the Amazons through civil [illegible] with HAWKGIRL [illegible] Then [illegible] gave her life defeating both [illegible] onslaught of the world-destroying IMPERIEX [illegible] Battle [illegible]. She is remembered as a fair and wise leader, a loving [illegible] Diana and a Wonder Woman in her own right.

DEATH [illegible]

A QUEEN'S RETURN [illegible]

AMAZONS ATTACK

Hippolyta [illegible] that the U.S. government [illegible] daughter Diana, Hippolyta [illegible] Amazons into Washington [illegible] killed [illegible] the world [illegible] Hippolyta [illegible] persuaded the Amazon queen to [illegible] own her sword, prompting the goddess Athena—CIRCE [illegible] to scatter the Amazons and banish them [illegible] a mortal woman. Hippolyta [illegible] alone on Themyscira, queen of [illegible] kingdom.

THEMYSCIRAN EXILE

A strike team of [illegible] soldiers [illegible] CAPTAIN NAZI soon invaded Themyscira [illegible] first by Hippolyta and later by Wonder Woman [illegible] her gorilla shock troops. The Nazis [illegible] imprisoned Amazons who had [illegible] Hippolyta's Royal Guard [illegible] under the infant Diana [illegible] being the [illegible] child [illegible] childless society. [illegible] continued her deception as Athena [illegible] Amazons to Themyscira, including HARLEY QUINN and Holly Robinson (see CATWOMAN). The two [illegible] the [illegible] Hippolyta hiding in a cave and [illegible] her in the fight to reclaim the island [illegible] their resistance [illegible] new

SB/DW

STRIKE TEAM [illegible]

KEY STORYLINES
- **ACTION COMICS #781 (SEPTEMBER 2001)**: Hippolyta gives her life to stop Imperiex's hollowing of Earth
- **AMAZONS ATTACK #1–6 (MARCH–AUGUST 2007)**: Hippolyta makes war against Man's World

HEX, JONAH

FIRST APPEARANCE ALL STAR WESTERN TALES #10 (March 1972)
STATUS Hero (deceased) **REAL NAME** Jonah Woodson Hex
OCCUPATION Bounty hunter, soldier **BASE** Late 19th century American southwest; Seattle, circa 2050
HEIGHT 5ft 11in **WEIGHT** 189 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Reddish-blond
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Despite being born under a bad sign, Hex was a superb marksman who hardly ever missed his target.

LOVE AT FIRST SIGHT Hex [illegible]

[illegible] Fort Charlotte [illegible]

CAPTION [illegible]

[illegible] New York City. [illegible]

HERO HOTLINE

FIRST APPEARANCE ACTION COMICS WEEKLY #637 [illegible]
CURRENT MEMBERS AND POWERS **STATUS** Hero team **BASE** [illegible]
Diamondette (Diana Theotocopoulous) Diamond hard body
Hotshot (Billy Lafferts) Shoots fireballs from his fingertips.
Microwave Man (Rollo Jackson) Generates force via microwave suit.
Mr. Muscle a.k.a. Flex a.k.a. Brother Swap (Sturgis Butterfield) Former circus strongman.
Private Eyes (Lester Lee) Lenses enable all kinds of super vision.
Stretch (Tom Longacre) Pliable hero who has lost some of his snap.
Voice-Over (Andrew Greenwald) Can imitate any voice or sound.
500Z-Q ("Snooze-Q") Mobile computer monitoring system.

[illegible] HERO HOTLINE [illegible] Thinman [illegible] Hardness Man [illegible] SB

HERO HOTLINE [illegible] Mr. Muscle [illegible] Microwave Man [illegible]

HIVE

FIRST APPEARANCE SUPERMAN FAMILY #205 (January 1981)
STATUS Villainous organization **BASE** Mantom; a honeycomb of secret bases across the globe

The [illegible] (H.I.V.E.) [illegible] H.I.V.E. Master. He gathered together seven fellow scientists, but their evil schemes were thwarted by various super heroes. Most notably, the H.I.V.E. [illegible] of the TEEN TITANS, including [illegible] late Grant Wilson—son of Slade Wilson (DEATHSTROKE THE TERMINATOR)—the super assassin known [illegible] has failed in attempts to destroy the group. [illegible] the Titans, the H.I.V.E. [illegible] after the H.I.V.E. Mistress, wife of its late [illegible] to kill the H.I.V.E.'s inner circle and [illegible] rather than be captured. The H.I.V.E. [illegible] with Adeline Kane, ex-wife of Slade Wilson [illegible] H.I.V.E. Mistress. She blamed super heroes [illegible] in particular, for the death of her sons Grant [illegible] (Jericho). Following a three-way conflict [illegible] and Tartarus, a cadre of super-villains [illegible] Kane was killed. A third H.I.V.E. arose [illegible] by QUEEN BEE II as part of the new SECRET SOCIETY OF SUPER VILLAINS (or VILLAINS UNITED) [illegible] the H.I.V.E. employs [illegible] foot soldiers [illegible] SB

HIGHFATHER

FIRST APPEARANCE THE NEW GODS (1st series) #1 (March 1971)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Izaya the Inheritor
OCCUPATION Adventurer **BASE** New Genesis
HEIGHT 6ft 4in **WEIGHT** 227 lbs **EYES** Gray **HAIR** White
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Commanding presence; possesses superhuman strength and invulnerability; focuses energies from the omnipotent Source through his staff.

[illegible] NEW GODS [illegible] New Genesis [illegible] the mightiest beings [illegible] Highfather [illegible] Steppenwolf killed [illegible] war between New Genesis and Darkseid's planet Apokolips. After Izaya had killed Steppenwolf, the Source [illegible] Creator [illegible] Now known as Highfather, he brokered a peace with Apokolips through a ritual exchange of sons—Highfather's Scott Free (MISTER MIRACLE) for Darkseid's Orion. Highfather also selected five special children and raised them on New Genesis, creating the FOREVER PEOPLE. In his final act, Highfather gathered heroes and gods to prevent Darkseid tapping into the Source's power, and died at the hand of Ares, god of war. The hero TAKION became the new Highfather.

Now at one with the Source, Highfather serves as a [illegible] of the godlike Quintessence. DW

HIMON

FIRST APPEARANCE MISTER MIRACLE (1st series) #9 (August 1972)
STATUS Hero (deceased) **REAL NAME** Himon
OCCUPATION Scientist, teacher **BASE** Apokolips and New Genesis
HEIGHT 5ft 8in **WEIGHT** 163 lbs **EYES** Blue-gray **HAIR** White
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Master genius and scientific inventor; creator of the Mother Box, a miraculous thinking computer.

Brilliant scientist and theoretician, Himon lived among the New Gods of New Genesis. Himon [illegible] the powerful Mother Box [illegible] with METRON [illegible] Himon [illegible] Apokolips and [illegible] of Apokolips to teleport across galaxies. Wracked with guilt over giving Darkseid such power, Himon vowed to end the evil god's threat. Himon secretly trained the inhabitants in the peaceful ways of New Genesis, encouraging them to [illegible] and freedom. Darkseid [illegible] Himon [illegible] over and over again [illegible] clone duplicates to confuse Darkseid's [illegible] Himon also helps Scott Free become MISTER MIRACLE. Soon after, Himon's daughter, Bekka, married Orion, Darkseid's son, and shortly thereafter Darkseid murdered Himon. He returned [illegible] New Genesis during the Death of the New Gods event. PJ

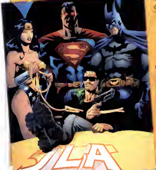
HITMAN

FIRST APPEARANCE THE DEMON (2nd series) Annual #2 (1993)
STATUS Hero (deceased) **REAL NAME** Thomas Monaghan
OCCUPATION Hitman, vigilante **BASE** Gotham City
HEIGHT 6ft **WEIGHT** 185 lbs **EYES** Black **HAIR** Black
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Infected with alien blood, Tommy had limited X-ray vision and telepathy; he was also a crack shot.

An attack by the alien parasite Glonth left Tommy Monaghan with greatly enhanced senses and limited telepathic ability. Of course, the first thing Tommy did was kill Glonth. Some saw him as a hero, and although he operated far outside the law, he did have a better developed moral sense than your average hitman. He had earned the grudging respect of BATMAN, who recognized that Tommy kept one of the darkest corners of Gotham clean. GREEN LANTERN Kyle Rayner also worked alongside Tommy.

Along the way Tommy teamed with his old pal Natt the Hat, and the two became inseparable. Given his new powers, strange characters were soon drawn to Tommy. First came the would-be super heroes Six Pack, a group of costumed losers. Then there was the demon Baytor, who found hanging out with Tommy at Noonan's bar so fascinating that he went to work there as a bartender. Tommy discovered the existence of the [illegible] government project hoping to create meta-humans [illegible] data from the earlier space parasite outbreak. In [illegible] bloody aftermath [illegible] shot down the facility [illegible] RG

ON THE MARK [illegible] my opponent [illegible]



TROUBLE MAN
A [illegible] mission of [illegible] Tommy Monaghan was [illegible] by Batman [illegible] to JLA [illegible] Batman [illegible] Tommy's [illegible] might help [illegible]

HOUNGAN

FIRST APPEARANCE THE New Teen Titans (1st series) #14 (Dec. 1981)
STATUS Villain **REAL NAME** Jean Louis Droo
OCCUPATION Scientist turned criminal **BASE** Paris, France
HEIGHT 6ft 2in **WEIGHT** 205 lbs **EYES** Brown **HAIR** Black
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Computerized voodoo dolls trigger terrible pain and even death to his victims through an advanced bionic link.

Born in Haiti, Jean-Louis Droo became a computer scientist in the U.S. He returned to Haiti to visit his dying father, only to see a local voodoo priest (a houngan) effect a miraculous cure through the [illegible]. Droo merged the old ways with the new, fashioning a computerized voodoo doll. He struck by analyzing victims' cell sample and generating a bionic link. When Droo's stylus stabs the doll part, pain is transmitted back to the victim's equivalent body part.

Calling himself Houngan, Droo joined the New Brotherhood of Evil (later reorganized as the Society of Sin) and participated in epic events including the Crisis (*see* Great Battles, pp. 362-3). Houngan was among the criminals captured by the Shadow Squadron and deported to a prison planet during Operation: Salvation Run. DW

HOURMAN I & II

FIRST APPEARANCE (Hourman I) ADVENTURE COMICS #48 (March 1940); (Hourman II) INFINITY INC. #20 (November 1985)
STATUS Heroes **REAL NAME** (I) Rex Tyler; (II) Richard "Rick" Tyler
OCCUPATIONS (I) Chemist; (II) artist **BASE** (both) New York City
HEIGHT (I) 5ft 10in; (II) 5ft 9in **WEIGHT** (I) 181 lbs; (II) 170 lbs
EYES (I) Blue; (II) brown **HAIR** (both) Brown
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES (Hourman I) Imbibing the Miraclo pill gave Rex Tyler superstrength, enhanced agility, speed, and low-level invulnerability for one hour. (Hourman II) superstrength, enhanced agility and speed. "Flash forward" vision gives Rick Tyler precognitive flashes an hour into the future; can transport to a pocket "hour in time" in order to seek counsel from his father.

[illegible] Hourman Tyler [illegible] ERICA [illegible] Tyler became addicted [illegible] pills and succumbed to [illegible] Hoping to end [illegible] Tyler retired from [illegible] He purchased the Bannermain Company and married Wendi [illegible] During the Crisis [illegible] pp. 362–3) Rex and [illegible] of his father [illegible] and [illegible] After accidentally killing [illegible] Wizard Rick gave up [illegible] identity. Rex became [illegible] one more time and died [illegible] other former JSAers in a [illegible] Extant. After battling the [illegible] III, an android from the [illegible] reclaimed his Hourman [illegible] a new, non-[illegible] of Miraclo. Hourman [illegible] moments before his [illegible] places to die at Extant's [illegible] Tyler, married to Jesse [illegible] Jesse) serves in the [illegible]

HOURMAN I
[illegible] strength, speed, and [illegible] hour [illegible] swallowing a Miraclo pill

[illegible] time [illegible] superpowers [illegible] Without [illegible] through [illegible] more powers [illegible] man

HOURMAN III

FIRST APPEARANCE JLA #12 (November 1997)
STATUS Hero (destroyed) **REAL NAME** None
OCCUPATION Adventurer **BASE** The Timestream
HEIGHT 6ft 4in **WEIGHT** 320 lbs **EYES** White **HAIR** None
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Flight, superstrength; "Power Hour" gives Hourman time-bending abilities for a 60-minute duration; Timeship can travel through or outside of the Timestream.

Despite his appearance, Hourman III is just a few years old. He is an android created in the 853rd century with genetic software patterned after the Miraclo-enhanced DNA of Rex Tyler, the first Hourman (*see* HOURMAN I & II). In the year 85271, Hourman III was to have been entrusted by METRON of the NEW GODS with safeguarding the Worlogog, an artifact allowing absolute control over time. However Hourman III [illegible] to the 20th century and explore his human heritage along with the JUSTICE LEAGUE OF AMERICA. Through several adventures, he learned that the Worlogog's incredible power could spell doom to humanity without proper control, so he limited himself to just a "Power Hour." Hourman III later joined the JUSTICE SOCIETY OF AMERICA and, after a humbling encounter with the time-twisting villain EXTANT, renounced the 20th century, leaving behind several gifts. First, he cured Rex Tyler's son Rick (Hourman II) of addiction to the Miraclo pills. Rick was thus able to return to action as the 21st century's Hourman. Hourman III also saved Rex Tyler seconds before Extant would have killed him, allowing Rick a final hour with his father. Hourman III used his time travel abilities to rescue Rex Tyler moments before Extant killed him, preserving Rex inside a frozen hour of time. Rex remained there until Hourman III switched places with him, dying at Extant's hands while Rex returned to the present. **SB**

HUMAN BOMB

FIRST APPEARANCE POLICE COMICS #1 (August 1941)
STATUS Hero (deceased) **REAL NAME** Roy Lincoln **OCCUPATION** Government agent **BASE** Florida **HEIGHT** 5ft 10in (later 5ft 8in)
WEIGHT 165 lbs
(later 195 lbs) **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Black (later gray)
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Can generate a biochemical explosion with just a touch; repeated punches increase force of explosion.

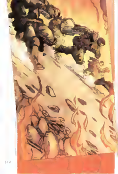
Roy Lincoln helped his father, a chemist, perfect an explosive known as 27 QRX. To keep the compound from falling into the hands of Nazi spies who killed his father, Roy ingested 27 QRX. The chemical turned him into a Human Bomb. Forced to wear a containment suit of fibro wax, the Bomb battled home front threats during World War II as a member of the ALL-STAR SQUADRON and the FREEDOM FIGHTERS. During the war, Montague T. "Curly" McGurk, Swordo, and Red Rogers were provided with limited explosive powers by Lincoln and joined in raids on the Japanese army as the Bombardiers. Roy Lincoln died during the Infinite Crisis, beaten to a pulp by BIZARRO. A second Human Bomb, Andy Franklin, emerged from the irradiated ruins of Blüdhaven and currently serves with UNCLE SAM and the new FREEDOM FIGHTERS, a division of the U.S. government's S.H.A.D.E. program. **RG**

HUMAN DEFENSE CORPS, THE

First appearance HUMAN DEFENSE CORPS #1 (May 2003)
Status Hero group **Base** Orbital HQ Fort Olympus ("Heaven")
Current members and abilities
Colonel Reno Rosetti Commander of most HDC missions.
Sergeant Montgomery Kelly Scarred HDC veteran, now ruler of a realm of Hell.
Chaplain Charlie Graham Expert on the supernatural.
Sergeant Kinnane Superb marksman.

Th[illegible] H[illegible] [illegible] elite US military unit [illegible] that [illegible] defends the planet [illegible] Justice League of America. The Human Defense Corps is an official branch of the US army [illegible] composed of [illegible] superpowered soldiers selected from the ranks of those who have been [illegible]. During [illegible] alien campaign HDC soldiers train in the orbital satellite Fort Olympus and in the Area 51 complex in the [illegible]. They are equipped with the very best military gear including ES-2 pulsar rifles and robotic S.A.R.G.E. reconnaissance vehicles.

On the HDC's first mission to [illegible] Sergeant Kelly's squad ran into demonic vampires who melted when sprayed with "holy napalm." The vampires managed to snatch 66 soldiers and carry them off to the underworld, so the HDC suited up to invade Hell and rescue their comrades. During this mission Sergeant Kelly learned that a previous encounter with a vampire had left him part demon, and he now rules a realm of Hades in the name of the U.S. DW



HUMAN TARGET

First appearance ACTION COMICS #419 (December 1972)
Status Hero **Real name** Christopher Chance
Occupation Bodyguard, private detective **Base** Mobile
Height 6ft **Weight** 180 lbs **Eyes** Blue **Hair** Gray-black
Special powers/abilities Olympic-level athlete, skilled martial artist and marksman, an unparalleled master of disguise

[illegible] thespian able to assume any [illegible] make-up and body postures [illegible] of others. [illegible] bully [illegible] that [illegible] their [illegible] of his [illegible] my [illegible] boy [illegible] witnessed his [illegible] Christop[illegible] front of the [illegible] boy aside and [illegible] body. [illegible] young Christ[illegible] after his father [illegible] years obsess[illegible] the ultimate [illegible] lives. [illegible] investig[illegible] Human Targ[illegible] addicted to [illegible] one [illegible] that he forgot [illegible] of personal [illegible] he feels are [illegible]

HUNTER, RIP

First appearance SHOWCASE #20 (June 1959)
Status Hero **Real name** Unknown
Occupation Time traveler **Base** Formerly Vanishing Point
Height 5ft 11in **Weight** 175 lbs
Eyes Blue **Hair** Blond (white as Hunter)
Special powers/abilities Brilliant and resourceful. Time-Sphere can carry him and several others to any point in the past, present, or future. As Hunter, Rip possessed cybernetic limbs that enhanced his strength.

[illegible]

HUNTER'S HELLCATS

FIRST APPEARANCE OUR FIGHTING FORCES #106 (April 1967)
STATUS Heroic commando unit **BASE** Vietnam
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Soldiers trained to do as they were ordered beyond the exceptional bravery displayed in suicide missions where they returned unhurt, none of the Hellcats possessed unusual talents.

[illegible] RG

HYBRID

FIRST APPEARANCE NEW TEEN TITANS (2nd series) #24 (October 1992)
STATUS Villain group **BASE** Mobile
MEMBERS AND POWERS
Mento Helmet gives its wearer Steve Dayton psychic powers.
Behemoth Vast superstrength, near invulnerability.
Gorgon Blind; snakes for hair allow sight and transform adversaries into stone.
Harpi Flight, projection of forcebolts, razor-sharp claws.
Prometheus Superstrength, speed, body armor powered by a constantly [illegible] energy source, Promethium.
Pteradon Wings allow flight at supersonic speeds.
Scirocco Flight, generation of gale-force winds, sandblasts.
Touch-N-Go Can steal kinetic energy [illegible]

Former [illegible] Steve Dayton (MENTO) [illegible] a twisted version of the DOOM PATROL. To this end, Mento [illegible] morally [illegible] victims of [illegible] accidents from around the world and [illegible] their bodies with the [illegible]. The results were the HYBRID, a group of [illegible] driven to [illegible] psychic powers. Scirocco, Touch-N-Go, and Pteradon [illegible] the ranks of the Hybrid, but only Behemoth and Touch-N-Go [illegible] loyal to Mento's madness. The rest of the Hybrid [illegible] his power at every turn.

Using the Hybrid, Mento went after his [illegible] Gar Logan, now known as BEAST BOY, and [illegible] companions in the TEEN TITANS. After several [illegible] with the Titans, the Hybrid broke [illegible] Mento's spell, and Mento's mind was cleansed [illegible] by RAVEN. Confused by their place and purpose in the world, the Hybrid took Dayton [illegible] to discover their new lives. Tragically, [illegible] of them returned to villainy. Harpi, Touch-N-[illegible] joined the sorceress CIRCE [illegible] assault on Manhattan, and Gorgon, Prometheus, and Behemoth were counted as among the Fallen Players of the House, a fight club run by the villainous [illegible]. PJ

HIDEOUS CREATIONS *A twisted version of the Doom Patrol, the Hybrid were tragic figures [illegible] by Mento's telepathic madness into villainy and destruction.*

HUNTRESS

FIRST APPEARANCE THE HUNTRESS #1 (April 1989)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Helena Bertinelli
OCCUPATION Vigilante **BASE** Gotham City
HEIGHT 5ft 11in **WEIGHT** 148 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Black
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Excellent gymnast and hand-to-hand [illegible]

The Huntress has much in common with BATMAN: as children, both lost their parents through senseless violence and both adopted costumed identities to become avengers of the night. The Huntress, however, exhibits a violent ruthlessness that is a perennial irritant to the Dark Knight. This temperamental failing has prevented Batman from giving the Huntress his official sanction.

Helena Bertinelli was the daughter of a *Mafioso* commanding one of Gotham's notorious "Five Families." A rival family killed her parents in the Palm Sunday Massacre, and Helena fled to Sicily where she learned combat skills from her cousin Sal. Upon returning to Gotham she donned the cowl of the Huntress, vowing to track down the assassin who had slain her family.

The Huntress briefly served with Justice League International (*see* JUSTICE LEAGUE OF AMERICA) but preferred to stay close to Gotham. She frequently butted heads with Batman over her pitiless methods, never more so than when she mistakenly appeared to have executed the city's mobsters.

TRANSFORMATIONS *Childhood trauma turned Helena into the Huntress, and her costume has changed to reflect her shifting moods.*

She eventually proved her innocence and Batman nominated her for membership in the JLA hoping to smooth her violent edges. He revoked her membership after she threatened to kill the villain Prometheus.

During Gotham's time as a federally-designated, quake-ravaged No Man's Land, the Huntress defended survivors as BATGIRL II. She accepted a temporary position with the government agency CHECKMATE then became an operative with ORACLE's team, the BIRDS OF PREY. After the Infinite Crisis, she became the Birds' field leader. DW

ON TOP OF HER GAME *The Huntress can dispatch foes many times her size with ease. Most recently, she has lent her fighting skills to the newest team of Outsiders.*

ALIEN RACES AND WORLDS

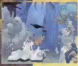
In the last few decades humankind has learned that Earth is by no means alone in the universe as a planetary home to sentient life. From the galactic rim of the Milky Way to the furthest reaches of the known universe, advanced aliens abound. However, not all of these peoples are peaceful. Remarkably, some even resemble *Homo sapiens*, albeit with markedly different internal physiologies. A few exhibit superpowers, either [illegible] the atmospheres of their native worlds or as a result of exposure to lesser gravities, the rays of a different colored sun, or any number of environmental factors. The following are the most notable alien races that have had more than close encounters with Earth, either as strange visitors from other planets or invaders from beyond.

THE KRYPTONIANS

From planet Krypton, some 50 light years from Earth, the Kryptonian race were [illegible] renowned for their incredible advances in the science of cloning. For millennia, cloning banks extended the lives of the elite on Krypton and allowed them [illegible] pursuit of knowledge and the arts. However, the terrorist group Black Zero, long opposed to cloning, launched civil war that lasted 1,000 [illegible] years. In the year 10,000 [illegible] Black Zero destroyed the capital city of Kandor with a thermonuclear device that caused a slow-burning chain reaction in the planet's core. Eventually Krypton's radioactive [illegible] Green Death across the planet, a plague that killed millions. [illegible] the planet exploded, killing every last Kryptonian save one: the infant Kal-El [illegible] Earth and became SUPERMAN, whose legend [illegible] throughout the [illegible].

KANDOR [illegible]

SOCIAL DIVIDES [illegible]



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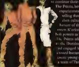
DAXAMITES [illegible]

DURLANS [illegible]

THE KHUNDS

The Khund [illegible] are [illegible] to [illegible]. On Khundia it is not uncommon for cul[illegible] to challenge [illegible] another to [illegible] combat likely to th[illegible] for the [illegible] offen[illegible]. While allied with [illegible], the Khunds [illegible] Australia [illegible] [illegible]



THE PSIONS

Cold-blooded and utterly emotionless, the Psions were originally three reptiles evolved to higher intelligence by Maltusian scientists. The Maltusians left their world to become the GUARDIANS OF THE UNIVERSE and these creatures, who called themselves Psions, continued their evolutionary progress. Eventually the Psions traveled into space to find their creators. The Guardians, concerned with other matters, encouraged the Psions to continue their quest for knowledge. The Psions, however, took scientific experimentation to the extreme, often selling their cruel services to other alien cultures. Psion research under the banner of the Citadel gave Tamaranean sisters Koriand'r and Komand'r their sun-bolt powers as STARFIRE and BLACKFIRE. The Psions added their scientific savvy to the Dominator-led Invasion of Earth, and engaged in breeding experiments that crossed humans with the H'San Natall to create young superbeings briefly united as a team of TEEN TITANS.

THE TAMARANEANS

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

DARK WINGMEN

[illegible]

Night creature
[illegible]

IBAC

First appearance CAPTAIN MARVEL ADVENTURES #8 (March 1942)
Status Villain **Real name** Stanley Printwhistle
Occupation Criminal **Base** Fawcett City
Height 6ft 6in **Weight** 240 lbs **Eyes** Blue **Hair** None
Special powers/abilities Possesses the traits of history's worst villains which make him super-strong and durable

Petty criminal Stanley Printwhistle [illegible] RG

I, VAMPIRE

First appearance HOUSE OF MYSTERY #290 (March 1981)
Status Hero (deceased) **Real name** Andrew Bennett
Occupation Vampire **Base** Mobile **Height** 6ft 3in
Weight 180 lbs **Eyes** Red **Hair** Black with white streak
Special powers/abilities Immortal; possessed all the traditional powers of a vampire: preternatural strength and speed, and the ability to transform into mist, or morph into a bat or wolf

[illegible] SB

ICE

First appearance (As Icemaiden II) JUSTICE LEAGUE INTERNATIONAL #12 (April 1988); (as Ice) Justice League International #19 (November 1988)
Status Hero **Real name** Tora Olafsdotter
Occupation Adventurer **Base** New York City
Height 5ft 7in **Weight** 136 lbs
Eyes Blue **Hair** White
Special powers/abilities Projected ice and snow from her body, usually as bolts of cold from her hands

[illegible] PJ

ICEMAIDEN

First appearance SUPER FRIENDS #9 (December 1977); [illegible] WHO'S WHO #9 (October 1985)
Status Hero **Real name** Sigrid Nansen
Occupation Scientist adventurer **Base** Norway
Height 5ft 5in **Weight** 127 lbs **Eyes** Blue **Hair** White
Special powers/abilities Can project ice and snow from her body, usually from her hands

Sigrid Nansen [illegible] PJ

ICICLE II

FIRST APPEARANCE INFINITY INC. #34 (January 1987)
STATUS Villain **REAL NAME** Cameron Mahkent
OCCUPATION Member of the Injustice Society **BASE** Mobile
HEIGHT 5ft 11in **WEIGHT** 55 lbs **EYES** White **HAIR** White
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Can fire ice and snow or drastically lower the temperature of his surroundings.

ICICLE I Armed with [illegible] gun, Dr. Joar Mahkent [illegible] [illegible] for [illegible] [illegible] Green Lantern.

FROZEN FRIEND [illegible]

Cameron Mahkent [illegible] the son of the original Icicle, Dr. Joar Mahkent, a costumed villain whose career began in the 1940s. Joar Mahkent's [illegible] exposure to his special cold-ray gun altered [illegible] genetics, allowing him to pass on a bodily version of his freezing powers to his son. Cameron is not too happy about his father [illegible] one of the unintended [illegible] albino pigmentation—but having [illegible] the Icicle [illegible] [illegible] career. Bitter that his father left most of his vast [illegible] after both men [illegible] Crisis [illegible] Great Battle [illegible] the new Icicle has [illegible] of [illegible] violence and murder.

The Icicle II served as a member of Injustice [illegible] and battled INFINITY INC. Later encounters [illegible] STARMAN, the new Star Spangled Kid [illegible]. Most recently he has signed on with [illegible] JUSTICE SOCIETY [illegible] continues to serve with that organization [illegible] apparent death. Efforts by the JUSTICE SOCIETY [illegible] Icicle II to the cause of good have [illegible] QW

IMMORTAL MAN

FIRST APPEARANCE STRANGE ADVENTURES #177 (June 1965)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Various
OCCUPATION Adventurer **BASE** Mobile
HEIGHT 6ft 2in **WEIGHT** 220 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Blond
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Immortal; reincarnated thousands of times over the centuries; athletic and fighting skills are only [illegible]

[illegible] Vandal Adg [illegible] eventually adopted the name VANDAL SAVAGE. The other [illegible] glowing [illegible] the [illegible] of the exploded fireball [illegible] reincarnation powers [illegible] Immortal Man [illegible] Immortal Man tended to help [illegible] Immortal Man [illegible] others. Each time [illegible] Forgotten Heroes [illegible] they discovered [illegible] of Vandal Savage [illegible] Immortal Man [illegible] Man [illegible] RG

IGNITION

FIRST APPEARANCE ADVENTURES OF SUPERMAN # 512 (Sept. 2000)
STATUS Villain **REAL NAME** Unknown
OCCUPATION Super-villain **BASE** Mobile
HEIGHT 7ft 5in **WEIGHT** 1,568 lbs **EYES** Red **HAIR** Unknown
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES A good, if not exceptional athlete; armored weapon of mass destruction, able to fly and project energy blasts from his giant metal hands.

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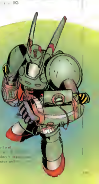
IMAN

FIRST APPEARANCE SUPERMAN (2nd series) Annual #12 (2000)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Diego Irigoyen
OCCUPATION Adventurer **BASE** Mexico City, Mexico
HEIGHT 7ft 6in **WEIGHT** 1,425 lbs (in armor) **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Blond
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES A good, if not exceptional athlete; armored exoskeleton increases strength, invulnerability, and durability to superhuman levels.

Diego [illegible] a renowned scientist and a hero in his [illegible] town [illegible] as a student of huge [illegible] the world, and was also [illegible] His doctorate thesis was on super heroes and [illegible] which revolutionized astrophysics. Diego [illegible] S.T.A.R. Labs second assistant and a winner of the [illegible] Scholarship to Yale University.

While Diego was on a mission in outer space, his [illegible] was kidnapped [illegible] brutally murdered. Upon [illegible] return Diego vowed [illegible] all of his scientific achievements [illegible] name of justice. Designing a robotic [illegible] his own powers. [illegible] super hero Iman [illegible] the ideals of freedom and justice and [illegible] up to them each day. RG



IMPERIEX

FIRST APPEARANCE SUPERMAN #153 (February [illegible])
STATUS Malevolent entity **REAL NAME** None
OCCUPATION Devourer of galaxies **BASE** Mobile
HEIGHT Unknown **WEIGHT** Unknown **EYES** Purple **HAIR** None
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Armor contains the explosive energies of the [illegible]

OUR WORLDS AT WAR *Blasting Imperiex-Probes with his heat vision, the Man of Steel stood between Imperiex and the end of the universe.*

The omnipotent Imperiex may be even older than creation itself. His hunger for cosmic power led him to sweep toward Earth—the linchpin that holds the universe together—leaving scores of dead worlds in his wake. SUPERMAN and MONGUL defeated an advance Imperiex-Probe, but Imperiex's main army proved to be far more than the Man of Steel could handle alone.

Dozens of alien species united behind Earth's defenders in the Imperiex War (see Great Battles, pp. 362–3), commanded by the unlikely alliance of DARKSEID of Apokolips and U.S. President Lex Luthor (see LUTHOR, LEX). Imperiex-Probes killed thousands, and city-sized "hollower" machines devastated Topeka, Kansas (and seven other locations), in their attempts to drill through the planet to unravel space-time and unleash a new Big Bang. Imperiex himself sat in Earth's orbit like a small moon, witnessing the devastation with unfeeling eyes.

The war took a turn for the worse when QUEEN HIPPOLYTA, Earth's original WONDER WOMAN, died in battle. Meanwhile BRAINIAC 13 exploited the chaos to advance his own agenda. Superman and Luthor championed a risky plan: by using Apokoliptian technology and magic channeled through the Atlantean sorcerer TEMPEST, they could send both Imperiex and Brainiac 13 back in time 14 billion years to the original Big Bang. Their Herculean efforts miraculously succeeded.

In the aftermath of the terrible Imperiex War, Superman temporarily incorporated a black background into his costume's "S" shield in honor of the fallen. Imperiex has not returned to the present day, but his awesome threat remains—and always will. DW

TIMELESS *Sent back to the dawn of creation, Imperiex could safely release his celestial energies.*

INFINITY INC **1)** [illegible] **2)** [illegible] **3) & 4)** [illegible] **5)** [illegible]

INFINITY, INC

FIRST APPEARANCE ALL STAR SQUADRON #25 (September 1983)
STATUS Hero team (disbanded) **BASE** Formerly Stellar Studios
NOTABLE MEMBERS AND POWERS
Star-Spangled Kid (founder and later Skyman) Wields cosmic belt. Fury II Mother to current Sandman. Northwind Winged wonder from Feithera. Silver Scarab Armored protector. Jade Has emerald skin and energy. Obsidian Master of shadow. Brainwave Jr. Master telepath. Nuklon (see Atom Smasher) Can change size. Doctor Midnight Surgeon and athlete. Wildcat II Superb hand-to-hand combatant. Hourman II Miraclo pill gives strength and agility.

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INDIGO

FIRST APPEARANCE TITANS/YOUNG JUSTICE: GRADUATION DAY #1 (early July 2003)
STATUS Villain (destroyed) **REAL NAME** None
OCCUPATION Adventurer **BASE** New York City
HEIGHT 5ft 11in **WEIGHT** 220 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** None
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES A sophisticated cyborg with great strength, speed, and the ability to fly

[illegible] DW

INFERIOR FIVE, THE

FIRST APPEARANCE SHOWCASE #62 (June 1966)
STATUS Hero Team **BASE** Mobile
MEMBERS AND POWERS
Merryman: Brilliant mind, weakling's physique
Blimp: Can fly if propelled by a tailwind
White Feather: Skilled archer, terrified of his surroundings
Awkwardman: Graceful in the water, clumsy on land
Dumb Bunny: Super strength, dim intellect

[illegible] all "hero" [illegible] Inferior Five [illegible] only the [illegible] lineup of [illegible] descendants [illegible] each [illegible] parents as [illegible] Merryman is [illegible] in a jester's [illegible] and is [illegible] own power. W[illegible] anxiety [illegible] is [illegible] clumsy [illegible] the [illegible] the water of [illegible] Awkwardman) [illegible] very few [illegible] knock [illegible] Unsure [illegible] Five call [illegible]

THE INFERIOR FIVE 1) Blimp **2)** White Feather **3)** Dumb Bunny **4)** Merryman **5)** Awkwardman

PALLBEARER [illegible]

INFINITY MAN, THE

FIRST APPEARANCE THE FOREVER PEOPLE (1st series) #1 (March 1971)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** None
OCCUPATION Inapplicable **BASE** Mobile
HEIGHT 6ft 4in **WEIGHT** 247 lbs. **EYES** Unknown **HAIR** Unknown
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Flight, teleportation, superstrong, invulnerable; can alter the structure of matter and project waves of energy

A [illegible] being, [illegible] Infinity Man [illegible] the New Gods [illegible] Infinity Man [illegible] "Taaru Awesome" [illegible] Forever People [illegible] **DW**

INJUSTICE GANG

FIRST APPEARANCE (I) JUSTICE LEAGUE OF AMERICA (1st series) #111 (May 1974) (II) JLA #9 (Sept 1997) (III) JLA #34 (Oct 1999)
STATUS Villains **BASE** (I + III) A satellite orbiting Earth
MEMBERS AND POWERS
Libra (deceased) His special scales were an "energy transmutation" device that could steal half of any universal energy form
Chronos I Inventor of time-inspired weapons
Mirror Master I (deceased) Used special mirrors to commit crimes
Poison Ivy Can control vegetation
Scarecrow Special gas instills unadulterated fear in victims
Shadow-Thief Can become a two-dimensional shadow being
Tattooed Man Tattoos on his body can come to life

[illegible] the Injustice Gang [illegible] Mirror Master [illegible] the JLA [illegible] the League [illegible] Mirror Master [illegible]

THE FIRST INJUSTICE GANG 1) Libra **2)** [illegible] **3)** [illegible] **4)** [illegible] **5)** Mirror Master **6)** [illegible] **7)** [illegible]

INJUSTICE SOCIETY

FIRST APPEARANCE (I) ALL STAR COMICS #37 (Nov. 1947) (II) JSA #10 (May 2000) **STATUS** Villains **BASE** Mobile **MEMBERS/POWERS**
Brainwave I (dead; psychic) **Fiddler** (violin-themed weapons)
Gambler (dead; master of disguise) **Harlequin I** (creates illusions)
Icicle I (dead; cold gun) **Per Degaton** (time-traveling despot)
The Shade, Hazard, Solomon Grundy **Sportsmaster** (martial arts)
Thinker I (dead; evil genius) **Tigress I** (hunter) **Vandal Savage, Wizard, Johnny Sorrow, Black Adam, Count Vertigo, Geomancer** (quakes) **Icicle II** **Killer Wasp** (humanoid insect) **Rival** (superspeed) **Shiv** (cyborg) **Tigress II** (fighter) **Thinker II** (virtual consciousness)

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THE INJUSTICE SOCIETY 1) [illegible] 2) [illegible] 3) [illegible] 4) Rival 5) [illegible] 6) Shiv 7) Solomon Grundy

[illegible] OF THE CONTINENT
The [illegible] supervillains [illegible] Society [illegible] of World War II [illegible] [illegible] world [illegible]

INSECT QUEEN

FIRST APPEARANCE LEGION OF SUPER-HEROES (4th ser.) #87 (July 1996)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Lonna Leng
OCCUPATION Uncanny Amazer **BASE** Xanthu
HEIGHT 5ft 7in **WEIGHT** 127 lbs **EYES** Green **HAIR** Red
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Can transform part of her body into any insect form, thereby gaining that insect's abilities

[illegible]

INTERNATIONAL ULTRAMARINE CORPS

FIRST APPEARANCE JLA #24 (December 1998)
STATUS Hero team **BASE** Superbia
Original **MEMBERS AND POWERS**
General Wade Eiling (ex-leader) Possesses tremendous strength; has huge razors that can rend limbs or metal
Lt. Col. Scott Sawyer No longer has material substance, but inhabits the stealth weapon Warmaker One
Capt. Lee Corbin Has been transformed into the dimension-shifting 4-D
Dan Stone Transformed into living liquid and given the name Flow
Capt. John Wether Utilizes the "unified field harmonic" to wield atomic powers as Pulse 8

[illegible] RG

THE ULTRAMARINES 1) [illegible] 2) [illegible] 3) [illegible] 4) [illegible]

INTERGANG

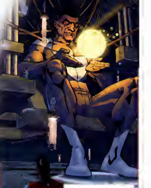
INSIDIOUS EMPIRE OF EVIL

First appearance FOREVER PEOPLE (1st series) #1 (March 1971)
Status Villain team **Base** Metropolis
Original members and other associates
Morgan Edge, **Vincent Edge** (former leaders); **Bruno "Ugly" Mannheim** (scarfaced former leader); **Boss Moxie** (current leader, clone of original); **Foreau** (a trio of high-tech assassins); **Louis Gillespie** (no powers); **Mike "Machine" Gunn** (cybernetic gun arms); **Thaddeus Killgrave** (evil scientist); **Ginny "Torcher" McCree** (wields fire); **Noose** (strangler with elongated fingertips); **Winslow Schott** (weapons inventor); **Zombie Twins** (killers)

During the [illegible] 1930s the Metropolis underworld was ruled by Boss Moxie's Intergang. Eventually Moxie died in a hail of bullets beside his moll Ginny "Torcher" McCree, gun-toting Mike "Machine" Gunn, and the bald killer known as Noose. Decades later WGBS media mogul Morgan Edge reformed Intergang with himself as chief of its enforcement division of Gassers, Shock Troops, and Wall Crawlers. This Intergang packed serious heat in the form of Apokoliptian weapons supplied by Darkseid's [illegible] torturer Desaad, who aided and abetted the organization in its clashes with Superman and [illegible].

Weapon Machine Gunn [illegible]

The new boss Bruno Mannheim [illegible]

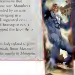


POWER STRUGGLES

Intergang's conflicts with the Man of Steel continued with future Toyman Winslow Schott providing high-tech weapons until Morgan Edge was convicted of racketeering and jailed. Second-in-command Bruno "Ugly" Mannheim briefly led Intergang before Edge's father Vincent took it over. Fugitive and former Cadmus Project geneticist (see Guardian and Newsboy Legion) Dabney Donovan cloned cell samples from original Intergang hoodlums to create an inner circle that included a resurrected Boss Moxie, "Torcher" McCree, Machine Gunn, and Noose. With Moxie back to being boss, Intergang became a smaller organization that made greater use of the latest technology and of superpowered thugs as hired muscle.

Intergang grew in power following the Infinite Crisis, expanding its operations from China to Bialya. Gang leader Bruno "Ugly" Mannheim fell under the influence of a cult that worshipped [illegible] the first murderer—and celebrated the Seven Deadly [illegible]. The cult's sacred text, known as the Crime Bible, drove [illegible] to profane [illegible] as he reveled in blood and [illegible]. Armed with new weaponry from Apokolips, [illegible] funded the mad-science inventions on Oolong Island run by Chang Tzu (see Egg Fu). It also [illegible] inroads into Gotham City to prepare for [illegible]. Batwoman, the Question, and Renee Montoya (see Montoya, Renee) helped dislodge Intergang's Gotham foothold, but [illegible] Mannheim's enmity. Convinced that Batwoman's alter ego Kathy Kane represented the "twice-named daughter of Cain" prophesied in the Crime Bible, Mannheim prepared to sacrifice her. Thwarted in this attempt, he next underwent treatments that grew his body to titanic size. Mannheim used technology provided by an alien benefactor to place Intergang in a position to control all organized crime in Metropolis. Superman, who used his enhanced hearing to zero in on the beat of Mannheim's enlarged heart, stopped this latest threat to the citizens of his city. SB/DW

Tight spot [illegible] Question and [illegible] Montoya [illegible] Intergang [illegible] Whisper [illegible] Kyle Abbot



One-man crime wave His body inflated to gi[illegible] by experimental chemicals, Bruno Mannheim flexes his muscles in Metropolis.

KEY STORYLINES

- **Superman's Pal Jimmy Olsen #133 (October 1970):** Intergang debuts in this storyline by Jack Kirby. Intergang would grow to threaten the most powerful superheroes on the planet.
- **Superman #654 (September 2006):** Through Intergang's extraterrestrial contacts, Bruno Mannheim has grown to the size of a giant and wields technology that could bring Metropolis to its knees.

ION

FIRST APPEARANCE GREEN LANTERN (3rd series) #142 (as Kyle Rayner); GREEN LANTERN: SINESTRO CORPS SPECIAL #1 (as willpower entity)
STATUS Embodiment of willpower **REAL NAME** Not applicable
OCCUPATION Hero **BASE** Mobile **HEIGHT** (as Kyle Rayner) 5ft 11in
WEIGHT (as Kyle Rayner) 175 lbs **EYES** (as Kyle Rayner) Green
HAIR (as Kyle Rayner) Black
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Light; limited control of time and space; ability to manifest solid energy constructs.

Ion is an entity as old as the universe, [illegible] as the embodiment of willpower. Green is the color of willpower on the emotional spectrum, and Ion appears in its purest form as a green, vaguely cetacean creature. It is the natural [illegible] of Parallax, the yellow, insectoid embodiment of fear. The Guardians of the Universe learned to harness [illegible] to fuel the rings of the Green Lantern Corps. Parallax [illegible] within the Green Lanterns' Central Power Battery [illegible] provided the "yellow impurity" that was the only [illegible] the willpower-fueled weapons. Following Parallax [illegible] Hal Jordan's subsequent destruction of the Central Battery (in GREEN LANTERN), the Green Lantern Corps [illegible] The universe's sole ringbearer Kyle Rayner [illegible] willpower energies and almost [illegible] Ion. Adopting a new costume, Rayner [illegible] omnipotent abilities to reignite the Central [illegible] the Guardians of the Universe [illegible] the way for the return of the Corps [illegible] the torch [illegible] Rayner [illegible] alter ego, but the death of [illegible] more emerald power into Kyle's body. [illegible] the willpower entity Rayner returned [illegible] heartbreaking tragedy [illegible] His mother wasted away and [illegible] mysterious disease. It later [illegible] that her illness [illegible] by the sentient [illegible] member of the [illegible] Corps. A shell-shocked [illegible] prey for a [illegible] by the fear entity Parallax.

SODAM YAT *The latest host of the Ion power is a superpowered Daxamite.*

LIMITS OF POWER *Despite the abilities of Ion, Kyle Rayner [illegible]*

On [illegible] Central Battery, Parallax killed [illegible] which the Anti-Monitor [illegible] Corps [illegible] was purged from Rayner [illegible] Corps rescued [illegible] Parallax [illegible] Rayner [illegible] new [illegible] the Daxamite Sodam Yat [illegible] Lantern, became the willpower [illegible] host. During the Sinestro Corps War, Sodam Yat [illegible] against Superboy-Prime. [illegible] aboard [illegible] reactor. He [illegible] struggles with the limits of his power as Ion. DW

INVISIBLE KID

FIRST APPEARANCE ACTION COMICS #267 (August 1960)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Lyle Norg
OCCUPATION Legionnaire **BASE** Legion World, U.P. Space
HEIGHT 5ft 6in **WEIGHT** 140 lbs **EYES** Brown **HAIR** Brown
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Able to make all or part of his body invisible and, with great effort, is also capable of rendering others unseen.

[illegible] DW

IRON CROSS

FIRST APPEARANCE JUSTICE LEAGUE TASK FORCE #10 (March 1994)
STATUS Villain **REAL NAME** Unrevealed
OCCUPATION Mercenary **BASE** Mobile
HEIGHT 6ft 4in **WEIGHT** 230 lbs **EYES** Brown **HAIR** Brown
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Appears to have meta-human strength and endurance, the limits of which have not been determined.

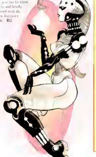
[illegible] RG

IRONS, NATASHA

FIRST APPEARANCE STEEL (2nd series) #1 (February 1994)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Natasha Jasmine Irons
OCCUPATION Adventurer **BASE** Metropolis
HEIGHT 5ft 2in **WEIGHT** 106 lbs **EYES** Brown **HAIR** Black
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Wears armor that interacts with Metropolis's future tech, enabling her to grow 60ft tall and to fly. Metagene allows flight, enhanced strength, and the projection of light bursts and energy barriers.

[illegible] Natasha Irons [illegible] John Henry [illegible] (see STEEL) [illegible] laboratory [illegible] the Steelworks [illegible] Metropolis [illegible] [illegible] Her [illegible] and her uncle [illegible] Natasha was in fact [illegible] Natasha [illegible] more than [illegible] to the [illegible] now seems fully [illegible]

When John Henry [illegible] Darkseid [illegible] Natasha [illegible] After the [illegible] Natasha [illegible] superpowers in [illegible] Everyman Project (see LEX LUTHOR) and briefly served with the new INFINITY INC. RG



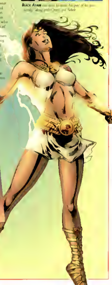
ISIS

FIRST APPEARANCE 52 #3 (2006) **STATUS** Hero (deceased)
REAL NAME Adrianna Tomaz
OCCUPATION Super hero **BASE** Khandaq
HEIGHT 5ft 10in **WEIGHT** 139 lbs **EYES** Brown **HAIR** Brown
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Flight, super-strength, resistance to injury, healing abilities, power over nature

Adrianna Tomaz first met BLACK ADAM as a prisoner, captured by INTERGANG and presented to the superpowered Khandaq ruler as a slave. But he freed her, and she wasted no time confronting him about his confrontational style. The two fell in love, and Black Adam used the Amulet of Isis to transform Tomaz into a super hero. After their wedding, Isis and Adam located Isis's younger brother Amon, who became the gifted Osiris and the third member of the Black Marvel Family.

Their happiness ended when the Four Horsemen of Apokolips killed both Isis and Osiris, triggering Black Adam's descent into madness. An obsessed Adam later tried to resurrect Isis by immersing her corpse in a Lazarus Pit. He then traveled to the four corners of the Earth to retrieve missing pieces of her skeleton. Although Black Adam believed his quest was a failure, Felix Faust (see FAUST, FELIX) successfully restored Isis to a life as his mind-controlled servant. Because she possesses the abilities of many gods from the Egyptian pantheon, Isis' connection to mystical energies is unusually strong, indicating that death will not retain its hold on her for long. DW

BLACK ADAM [illegible] part of his [illegible] family, along with [illegible] Sobek.



AMID PUBLIC [illegible] Black Adam [illegible] capital of Kahndaq [illegible] celebration of his marriage to Isis.

JACK O'LANTERN I, II & III

First appearance (I) DC COMICS PRESENTS #46 (June 1982) (II) JUSTICE LEAGUE EUROPE ANNUAL #1 (1990) (III) PRIMAL FORCE #0 (October 1994)
Status Heroes **Real names** (I) Daniel Cormac (II) Marvin Noronsa (III) Liam McHugh
Occupation (I) Global Guardian (II) covert agent (III) ultramarine
Base (I) Mobile (II) mobile (III) Montevideo, Uruguay
Height (I) 6ft 2in (II) 6ft 2in (III) 5ft 11in
Weight (I) 224 lbs (II) 217 lbs (III) 188 lbs
Eyes (I) Green (II) green (III) blue
Hair (I) Red (II) red (III) brown
Special powers/abilities Mystical amulet provides powers of flight, flame projection, the ability to teleport, illusion casting, enhanced strength, fog creation; lantern's power is strongest at midnight. Jack O'Lantern III's body has mysteriously internalized several of the lantern's magical powers.

Pumpkin power All the Jack O'Lanterns have been heroes; the original was fiercely loyal to the Global Guardians.

Peacekeeper Jack [illegible] the [illegible] Ultramarine [illegible]

[illegible] given to him by the [illegible] Mayor [illegible] Daniel Cormac assumed the costumed identity of Jack O'Lantern until summoned [illegible] of international heroes known as the Global Guardians. He fell in love with teammate Owlwoman and took [illegible] withdrew funding from the Guardians in favor of Justice League International (see Justice League of America). Looking for a new calling, he fell under the control of the evil Queen Bee (see Queen Bee II) and apparently died, replaced by the Queen Bee's duplicate. Owlwoman rescued him from a dungeon in the Middle Eastern nation of Bialya but he died soon afterward.

The imposter Jack O'Lantern II worked for the Queen Bee and tried to take Daniel Cormac's place among the Global Guardians. Jack O'Lantern II [illegible] media mogul Maxwell Lord (see Lord Havok) and accidentally [illegible] Global Guardian Little Mermaid before perishing in a bomb blast.

Jack O'Lantern III took up the heroic role made famous by his [illegible] A former factory worker, Liam McHugh inherited Cormac's lantern, which he called the "pumpkin of power," and soon joined the [illegible] After his first few adventures he discovered that his body had [illegible] assimilated the lantern's magical energies and he no longer needed [illegible] Jack O'Lantern III was a founding member of the international [illegible] Ultramarine Corps. DW

JADE

First appearance ALL-STAR SQUADRON #25 (September 1983)
Status Hero (deceased) **Real name** Jennifer-Lynn Hayden
Occupation Photographer **Base** New York City
Height 5ft 3in **Weight** 123 lbs **Eyes** Green **Hair** Green
Special powers/abilities Generates and manipulates emerald energies similar to the forces of the Starheart fueled power ring worn by her Green Lantern father. Jade can make the power pulse take tangible form. Unlike Green Lantern's power ring, Jade's energy is self-renewing, also enabling her to fly.

[illegible]

JANISSARY

First appearance JLA ANNUAL #4 (Summer 2000)
Status Hero **Real name** Selma Tolon
Occupation Red Crescent physician, sorceress **Base** Bursa, Turkey
Height 5ft 6in **Weight** 131 lbs **Eyes** Almond **Hair** Black
Special powers/abilities Superstrength, flight; wields the mystical scimitar of Sultan Suleiman the Great and the spell-casting Eternity Book of Merlin the Magician.

[illegible] SB

JEMM, SON OF SATURN

First appearance JEMM, SON OF SATURN #1 (September 1984)
Status Hero **Real name** Jemm
Occupation Prince **Base** Saturn
Height 6ft 6in **Weight** 241 lbs **Eyes** Yellow **Hair** None
Special powers/abilities Born with superior strength, even for a Saturnian, as well as the unique ability to fly; jewel on forehead denotes he is his people's prophesied "savior," and it allows him to probe the emotions of others or to project powerful force waves.

[illegible] RG

JERICHO

First appearance TALES OF THE TEEN TITANS #43 (June 1984)
Status Hero and villain **Real name** Joseph William Wilson
Occupation Former super hero **Base** Mobile
Height 6ft **Weight** 195 lbs **Eyes** Green **Hair** Blond
Special powers/abilities Can control bodies of others by making eye contact; when he enters bodies he speaks with their words and voices

Son of the mercenary Deathstroke the Terminator, young Joseph Wilson lost his ability to speak when the assassin Jackal slit his throat with a knife during a botched kidnapping. But Joseph had also been born a metahuman thanks to the genetic experiments performed on his father by the U.S. military. Under the codename Jericho, Joseph became a member of the Teen Titans.

For his career with the Titans took a tragic turn when he tried to save his teammate Raven from her demonic father Trigon. Possessed by Trigon's demonic energy Jericho turned into a true villain and tried to destroy the Titans. To save them, Deathstroke stabbed his son through the heart. However, unknown to his former friends, he had taken refuge in Deathstroke's body at the moment of his passing. Raven helped Jericho return to his own body and he has since returned to the Teen Titans. DW

Mastermind During [illegible]

JESTER, THE

First appearance SMASH COMICS #22 (May 1941)
Status Hero **Real name** Charles "Chuck" Lane
Occupation Police detective (retired) **Base** New York City
Height 5ft 11in **Weight** 179 lbs **Eyes** Blue **Hair** Black
Special powers/abilities Delighted in confounding his opponents with tricks derived from slapstick comedy; a formidable hand-to-hand fighter and dauntless detective

A crimefighter in New York City during the opening days of World War II, Lane was the direct descendant of a medieval court fool. When inspired to take up the colorful costume of a masked vigilante, Lane naturally became the Jester and joked his way into action. Many a criminal came to regret hearing his distinctive high-pitched laughter and the jingling bells on his Jester's costume. During the War the Jester served as a member of both the All-Star Squadron and the Freedom Fighters. Once Lane was promoted to the rank of detective, the Jester's jingling dwindled, and he eventually hung up his cap and bells for good in 1954. Now retired from the NYPD, Lane is still alive and kicking. Despite his somewhat ludicrous former costumed identity, Chuck Lane takes his heritage quite seriously and looks back proudly to his days as a masked crime fighter. SB

JINX

First appearance TALES OF THE TEEN TITANS #56 (August 1985)
Status Villain **Real name** Unrevealed
Occupation Sorceress **Base** Mobile
Height 5ft 9in **Weight** 141 lbs **Eyes** Brown **Hair** Unrevealed
Special powers/abilities A powerful magician, Jinx's fiery temper leads her to take the direct-action approach, creating crushing force bolts or suddenly dissolving matter rather than employing the more usual illusions and subtleties of magic

The East Indian sorceress Jinx was a student of an occult master. She mastered her teacher's arcane learning, but soon turned to evil. She was recruited by Gizmo to strengthen the Fearsome Five in their attempt to destroy the Teen Titans. With the Titans out of the way, the Five were confident they would rapidly [illegible] through crime. Instead they were defeated and Jinx was sent to India for trial. She has returned to the U.S., where local authorities [illegible] the rage.

She has worked with Villainy Inc. and met defeat at the hands of Wonder Woman. Recently she has rejoined the reconstituted Fearsome Five and fought the [illegible]. RG

JOKER'S DAUGHTER

First appearance BATMAN FAMILY #6 (August 1976)
Status Villain (deceased) **Real name** Duela Dent
Occupation Adventurer **Base** Mobile
Height 5ft 8in **Weight** 120 lbs **Eyes** Green **Hair** Red
Special powers/abilities Acrobat skilled with practical-joke combat gadgets

Duela Dent traveled from Earth-Three to Earth-One, where she claimed to be the offspring of the heroes and villains of the mainstream Earth (Daughter of the heroes Joker and [illegible] called the Jokester). Duela was raised by her [illegible] Dent (also known as Two-Face) and her [illegible] Earth-3 Riddler. Duela started a romance with [illegible] her world's counterpart of Robin, but her journey to the primary Earth apparently scrambled all her memories and left her unsure of her past.

Duela joined the villainous Titans East, then switched sides at the suggestion of Raven to join the Teen Titans. She continued her legacy by kidnapping a teenage celebrity from a nightclub until she was [illegible] by Jason Todd (as Red Hood) and a member of the Monitors.

After accusing Duela of violating the integrity of the multiverse by jumping between parallel Earths, the Monitor shot and killed the Joker's Daughter. DW

JOTO

First appearance THE TEEN TITANS (2nd series) #1 (October 1996)
Status Hero **Real name** Isaiah Crockett
Occupation Super hero **Base** Ivy University, Rhode Island
Height 5ft 10in **Weight** 168 lbs **Eyes** Brown **Hair** Brown
Special powers/abilities Can generate intense heat from his bare hands and melt anything—even solid steel; possesses a quiet strength and is looked up to by his fellow teammates

Isaiah Crockett believed he was a normal kid from a normal family, until at age 16 he learned he was the result of a breeding program by the H'San Natall to create a race of sleeper agents. Joining with the other H'San Natall hybrids—Argent, Risk, and Prysm—as well as the second Atom, Isaiah became a member of a new Teen Titans team. He was initially [illegible] Slagger, but his father instead suggested Joto, the Swahili word for "heat." Joto seemingly perished in battle with the [illegible] flame Haze, but his spirit survived within Prysm's body. When the H'San Natall revived Joto's corpse, he jumped his consciousness back into his body. After the Teen Titans disbanded, Joto returned to his studies at Ivy University. He still aids the super hero community. DW

JUDOMASTER

First appearance SPECIAL WAR SERIES #4 (November 1965)
Status Hero **Real name** Rip Jagger
Occupation Adventurer **Base** Mobile
Height 5ft 11in **Weight** 190 lbs **Eyes** Blue **Hair** Blond
Special powers/abilities Martial arts expert; also skilled with various weapons, although prefers to use fists in combat

During World War II, Sgt. Rip Jagger of the U.S. Army was stationed on a Pacific island populated by expatriate Japanese who opposed their country's aggression. After he saved a young girl from a sniper's bullet, the girl's grateful father taught him martial arts. As the hero Judomaster, he used his skills to free the island from invading Japanese soldiers. Jagger later returned to his [illegible], operating as Judomaster on [illegible] and with Tiger, a young Japanese orphan who had highly impressed Jagger with his martial-arts prowess.

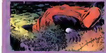
Judomaster battled evil alongside Tiger after the war [illegible] went their separate ways and Judomaster [illegible] to the mystical land of Nanda Parbat, where he lived for many decades, remaining young despite being in his eighties. During the [illegible] Crisis, Bane killed Judomaster by snapping his back. His son Thomas Jagger, an agent of [illegible], hopes to avenge his father's death. A new Judomaster, Sonia Sato, has appeared with the Birds of Prey as well as the Justice Society of America. SB

THE JOKER

THE CLOWN PRINCE OF CRIME

FIRST APPEARANCE BATMAN #1 (Spring 1940)
STATUS Villain **REAL NAME** Unknown
BASE Gotham City
OCCUPATION Anarchist, mass murderer, professional criminal
HEIGHT 6ft 5in **WEIGHT** 192 lbs **EYES** Green **HAIR** Green
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES
Though not especially strong or skilled in fighting, the Joker is nonetheless a deadly combatant. Previously he has demonstrated adeptness at chemistry, concocting his own poisonous Joker Venom, a weapon of mass destruction that leaves its victims with death rictuses resembling his own maniacal leer. The Joker often wields deadly joke props or gags such as an acid-squirting boutonnière or BANG!-producing flag pistol that doubles as a spear gun. However, he also plays the straight man in his blackly comedic campaigns of terror and will use conventional weapons — anything from a single-shot Derringer tucked in the brim of his hat to an operational nuclear warhead concealed within the trunk of his garish Jokermobile.

THE JOKER IS UNDENIABLY the most dangerous and unpredictable foe BATMAN has ever encountered. He [illegible] reinvents himself each morning, concocting [illegible] new laugh riots to bedevil the Dark Knight and [illegible] allies. While safely confined within the impregnable [illegible] of Arkham Asylum for the Criminally Insane, the [illegible] has spun investigating psychiatrists various yarns concerning his troubled origins. Most of his tales are [illegible] composed, but a few [illegible] that give some insight [illegible] how this [illegible] came into being.



CHEMICAL PEEL [illegible]

THE JOKER'S ORIGINS

The man who would [illegible] Clown Prince of Crime [illegible] into [illegible] Red Hood [illegible] turned [illegible] [illegible] utterly [illegible] the Joker [illegible] very [illegible]

TWO-GUN CLOWN [illegible]

MASS MURDER, MALIGNANCY, AND MAYHEM

[illegible]

KILLING JOKE [illegible]

HARLEY QUINN

[illegible]

THE JOKER'S WEAPONS

The Clown Prince of Crime [illegible] weapons of [illegible] including his own patented Laughing Gas [illegible] in death [illegible] the Joker [illegible] imprisoned for attempting [illegible] with a [illegible] weapon

ARKHAM ASYLUM

[illegible] the Joker [illegible] Arkham [illegible]

THAT CERTAIN SMILE [illegible] Arkham

PSYCHO KILLER [illegible]

PARTNERS IN CRIME! [illegible]

THE LAST LAUGH

After [illegible] hands. [illegible] mastermind [illegible]

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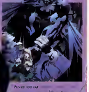


PUSHED TOO FAR [illegible]

KEY STORYLINES
- ***THE JOKER* #1–9 (MAY 1975–SEPTEMBER 1976):** The Joker becomes the first Bat-Villain to star in his own comic book series, lasting nine issues.
- ***BATMAN* #426–429 (DECEMBER 1988–JANUARY 1989):** The Joker murders Jason Todd, the second Robin, leading Batman to pursue the Clown Prince.
- ***BATMAN: THE KILLING JOKE* (1988):** The Joker's origins are explored as he cripples Barbara Gordon to prove a point to the Dark Knight.
- ***JOKER, THE DEVIL'S ADVOCATE* (1996):** The Joker is finally made responsible for his sins and sentenced to Death Row, but for a crime he did not commit!

THE JUSTICE LEAGUE OF AMERICA

THE WORLD'S GREATEST HEROES

FIRST APPEARANCE THE BRAVE & THE BOLD #28 (March 1960)
STATUS Team of Earth's greatest heroes
BASE The JLA Watchtower, the Moon
FOUNDER MEMBERS AND POWERS
Superman The Man of Steel, possessor of superpowers beyond those of mortal men
Martian Manhunter Alien telepath, shape changer, gifted with strength, flight, and enhanced vision
Batman The Dark Knight, master combatant and strategist coordinating the team's counterattacks
Wonder Woman Princess from Themyscira, gifted with strength, speed, wisdom, and flight by the gods themselves
Aquaman King of the Seven Seas, has incredible strength, ability to mentally control sea life, and a mystic hand
Green Lantern V Wielder of the emerald power ring, protector of space sector 2814
Flash III The fastest man alive, capable of hyper velocities, channels the Speed Force to fight crime. Speed Force surrounds him with a frictionless protective aura

They are Earth's premier defense team and for the last decade have seen to it that the basic human rights of liberty and justice remain paramount to all citizens. They are the Justice League of America, comprised of the best of the best. Ever since Superman ushered in the modern heroic age Earth has needed protection from megalomaniac supervillains and especially from greedy alien tyrants with hitherto undreamed of technologies and nightmarish weapons of mass destruction. Even when the team has suffered internal strife, they have rallied, recognizing their obligations to all of mankind. Their reputation has spread not only beyond this solar system but beyond this plane of existence.

PREMIER LEAGUE The JLA [illegible]

THE FIRST INCARNATION

When Earth was threatened by Appellax aliens, the Martian Manhunter, Flash II, Green Lantern II, Aquaman, and Black Canary II joined forces as the JLA to defeat these invaders. Inspired by the appearance of these powerful new heroes, J'Onn J'Onzz ended decades of hiding, publicly appearing as the Martian Manhunter. A short time later plasma aliens invaded Earth and [illegible] Triumph gathered Superman, the Martian Manhunter, Flash II, Green Lantern II, Aquaman, and Black Canary II [illegible]. During the [illegible] Triumph was trapped [illegible] and disappeared from the timestream.

THE SECRET SANCTUARY

The team's first headquarters was the Secret Sanctuary in Rhode Island and secretly [illegible] the first Green Arrow. At [illegible] "Snapper" Carr (Clark Nelson) [illegible] the team's high-tech gear [illegible] Batman II) Snapper [illegible]. After [illegible] JLA [illegible] Superman and Batman [illegible].

JL INTERNATIONAL

This team was disbanded [illegible] campaign but a new powerful [illegible] the tycoon Maxwell Lord [illegible] the United Nations [illegible] recognized the JLA as a global peacekeeping [illegible] League America [illegible] with the [illegible] the Scarlet Skier [illegible] the JLA [illegible] power in Europe. [illegible] Martian Manhunter [illegible] and one which would recruit [illegible] members for a single [illegible]

TOWER OF POWER [illegible]

JUSTICE LEAGUE DETROIT

Being a super hero is a tough life. Various stresses in the personal lives of the team caused rifts from time to time. In the wake of an invasion by the alien Debbon, the JLA was reorganized by Aquaman, who called for full-time commitment from each League member. In the aftermath only Aquaman, the Elongated Man, the Martian Manhunter, and Zatanna remained. However, the roster soon began to expand when Steel II, Vibe, and the Vixen joined. Hank Heywood I, Steel's grandfather and namesake, offered the JLA headquarters in a warehouse in Detroit that became known as the Bunker. This incarnation of the League was tragically cut short when Vibe and Steel II were killed in action.

THE DETROIT LINEUP (shown from top) [illegible]

TASK FORCE [illegible] heroes, many [illegible]

Virtue and vice [illegible]

Defenders of Earth

The League continued to [illegible] demanded with a Justice [illegible] who [illegible] a later addition. At the request of the UN, the various Justice League splinter groups disbanded and Superman, Batman, Wonder Woman, Aquaman, the Martian Manhunter, Flash III and Green Lantern V were acknowledged as the official JLA. They built a base on the moon known as the Watchtower.

As the external threats facing the world and its citizens grow more and more extreme, the JLA has sworn to repulse all threats from space or from parallel worlds. The League continually redefines the scope of its mission; thanks to the JLA's selfless heroic protection, humanity continues to prosper. RG

Brutal battle *The JLA [illegible] a common [illegible] enemies, but none has challenged them more* [illegible]

The JLA of the Future

By the 853rd century the Justice [illegible] the premier protectors of the solar [illegible] will be aided by the Justice Legions [illegible] Zoomorphs, Union Young Justice Legion [illegible] and Primate Legion.

Latest lineup

From their Watchtower on the moon, the JLA monitors to [illegible] activity on Earth, dispatching the [illegible] as required. The ranks have [illegible] include the Nat[illegible] American [illegible] Manitou Raven [illegible] the reformed [illegible] Major Disaster [illegible] Others [illegible] remain available on a [illegible]

KEY STORYLINES

- ***Justice League of America* #21–22 (1963).** The JLA teams up with the veteran heroes of the Golden Age, the Justice Society of America.
- ***Justice League of America* #140–144 (March–July 1977).** The planet Oa's Manhunter Robots threaten not only Earth but Oa as well!
- ***JLA: Year One* (TPB, 1998).** Five distinct super heroes learn how to become a team.
- ***JLA: World War III* (TPB, 2001):** Mageddon comes to Earth and it takes the JLA, plus many others committed to the cause, to save mankind.
- ***JLA/JSA: Virtue and Vice* (TPB, 2003).** Earth's premier teams take on the combined threat of Johnny Sorrow and an enraged Despero.

Current members and powers (2008)

Black Canary (chairwoman) Ultrasonic canary cry; martial arts and fencing expert

Superman The Man of Steel, possessor of numerous superpowers

Batman The Dark Knight, master combatant and strategist coordinating the team's counterattacks

Wonder Woman Princess from Themyscira, gifted with strength, speed, wisdom, and flight by the gods

Green Lantern (John Stewart) Wielder of the emerald power ring, protector of space sector 2814

The Flash (Wally West) The fastest man alive, capable of hyper velocities; channels the Speed Force to fight crime

Black Lightning Internally-generated electromagnetic field can create and hurl bolts of supercharged electricity

Geo-Force Superhuman strength and powers of endurance; can fly, alter gravity, and project powerful blasts of heat from his hands

Hawkgirl Gravity-defying Nth metal belt enables flight on giant wings; adept hand to hand combatant

Red Arrow A top archer, expert with most projectile weapons

Red Tornado Can generate cyclones; some control over the weather

Vixen Her totem gives her animal abilities

CRISIS OF CONSCIENCE

After [illegible] against [illegible] Justice League of America [illegible] Elongated Man [illegible] the League's [illegible] Zatanna [illegible]

Mindwipe [illegible]

Paying respects [illegible]

[illegible] Prime [illegible] Watch [illegible]

Mystery mission [illegible]

THE LIGHTNING SAGA

The newest League [illegible] up with the Justice Society of America [illegible] Super Heroes. The latter group [illegible] thousand years to restore a lost champion [illegible] code and 31st century secrets [illegible] the Legionnaires during [illegible] by countering Batman's suspicion of the Legion's [illegible] plans. The affair ended with all three groups [illegible] the return of Wally West, the third Flash, from [illegible] dimension. Wally accepted a position with the new League, filling the [illegible] position.

Back from limbo [illegible] Superman and his teammates.

Trinity [illegible]

A NEW START

[illegible] the JLA [illegible] including [illegible] But [illegible] America [illegible] the World [illegible] Superman, Batman and Wonder Woman [illegible] the League [illegible] together the [illegible] worthy among the [illegible]

The theft of Red Tornado's android body [illegible] of Black Canary, Green Lantern Hal Jordan, and Red Arrow (Roy Harper, [illegible] known as Arsenal) to aid in the hunt. [illegible] activity among [illegible] Doctor [illegible] drew the attention of Vixen, Black Lightning, and Hawkgirl. Together the teams uncovered an elaborate plot from [illegible] genius Professor Ivo who had determined [illegible] using technological replicas of the [illegible] trademarks of the alien Star Conqueror [illegible] puppets [illegible] him piece together a composite android body that [illegible] components from both Red Tornado and Amazo. The virtually unstoppable composite was to [illegible] the consciousness of [illegible] Grundy, the mountainous zombie.

Return to duty [illegible]

Powered up [illegible] depends on Amazo [illegible]

WAR IS OVER [illegible]

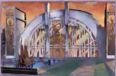
THE NEW HQ

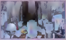
[illegible] soon after [illegible] instructed [illegible] the ability to replace [illegible] hall of [illegible] and featured [illegible] gadgetry. A [illegible] by stepping [illegible] could be activated from the [illegible] and other [illegible] member travel [illegible] RG/DW

ANTI-TRINITY *The [illegible] [illegible] assembled the [illegible]*

THE INJUSTICE LEAGUE

[illegible] Joker [illegible] With the [illegible] of the Joker and [illegible] Unlimited [illegible]





TROPHY ROOM [illegible]

WORLD'S FINEST [illegible]

The Justice Society of America

The Best of the Best

First Appearance All Star Comics #3 (Winter 1940)
Status Hero team
Base New York City
Founding Members and Powers:
The Spectre Near omnipotent control over space and time, but bound to a human host
Doctor Fate Connection with the Lord of Order Nabu allows Fate to manipulate vast magical forces
Sandman I Sharp detective's mind and dreams that can foretell the future; wields a gas gun that puts victims to sleep
The Atom Expert boxer and hand-to-hand combatant; after the war gained super strength and a radioactive "atomic punch"
Hourman I Superhuman strength, speed, and stamina for one hour as a result of ingesting a Miraclo pill

Other members have included:
Green Lantern, the Flash, Hawkman, Johnny Thunder, Doctor Mid-Nite, Mister Terrific, Hawkgirl, Starman, Miss America, Hippolyta, Atom Smasher, Mister Terrific II, Star Spangled Kid II, Stargirl, Black Canary II, Captain Marvel, Power Girl (see page 186 for current lineup).

They are the world's first and greatest super-group, formed at a time when "meta-humans" were still a new concept and free people everywhere faced the threat of annihilation from Adolf Hitler's Third Reich. They have survived throughout the decades, waxing and waning in synch with the national character to reflect the public's love–hate relationship with its super heroes. Several of the founding members are active today, even as they enter their nineties, thanks to a time-slowing radiation bath received during an early case. Living legends, they are the standard-bearers for all who followed in their footsteps. They are the Justice Society of America, the only hero team that Superman looks up to.

The beginning [illegible] the America and [illegible] the JSA began [illegible]

Winged wonder [illegible] physical and mental [illegible] the JSA.

A World at War

Costumed crime-fighters started appearing in the late 1930s. By November of 1940 the numbers of these "mystery men," as they were called, had grown to permit the formation of the JSA. Eight of the U.S.'s top heroes—Green Lantern, the Flash, the Spectre, Doctor Fate, the Sandman I, the Atom, Hourman I, and Hawkman—banded together to stop Hitler's invasion of Britain and save President Roosevelt from Nazi assassins. The JSA continued to battle the Axis powers. In the wake of Pearl Harbor the U.S. government established the All Star Squadron, which brought together [illegible] costumed heroes.

An Ever-changing Lineup

The JSA became one of the All Star Squadron's active sub-groups. During this time the JSA also went by the alternate name of the Justice Battalion. Throughout the war members came and went as they cycled through active, reserve, and honorary status. Prominent JSAers included Johnny Thunder (see Thunder, Johnny), Doctor Mid-Nite I, Mister Terrific I, Hawkgirl, Starman, Miss America, and the time-traveling Hippolyta, the Golden Age Wonder Woman.

No More Heroes

The All Star Squadron ceased to exist after V-J Day, but the JSA remained, battling major villains such as Vandal Savage and its villainous counterpart, the Injustice Society. However, now the war was over, public tolerance for super heroes was fading fast. In 1951 a joint congressional Un-American Activities Committee accused the JSA of harboring communist sympathies and demanded that its members publicly unmask as a sign of their patriotism. They refused, and regretfully retired the Justice Society. The years passed, the flame of [illegible] fighting kept alive through [illegible] the Sea Devils and the Chall[illegible] and lesser lights like the Justice [illegible] and [illegible] existed. However, as [illegible] annually [illegible] does

On their way out The [illegible] the end of the Golden Age of super [illegible]

Ra[illegible]

Th[illegible] Cr[illegible] Mid[illegible] San[illegible] all e[illegible] world [illegible] the JSA [illegible] Great B[illegible] Extant killed the Atom, Doctor Mid-Nite, and Hourman [illegible]

THE MODERN ERA

The Dark Lord Mordru [illegible] of the Sandman [illegible] new formation of the JSA, featuring old [illegible] (the Flash, Green Lantern, Wildcat, Hawkman, Sand), skilled veterans (Atom-Smasher, and [illegible]), and [illegible] Star Spangled Kid II, plus reincarnated versions of Doctor Fate and Hawkgirl. This JSA's greatest challenge was [illegible] in which Mordru, Obsidian, and Eclipso tried to plunge the world into eternal night.

INVASION *Black Adam made [illegible] Kahndaq's defenders.*

FIGHTING THE GOOD FIGHT

The Black Reign [illegible] Captain Marvel [illegible]

DARKNESS FALLS

[illegible]

BLACK REIGN

The JSA [illegible] Black Adam [illegible] Northwind, Brainwave [illegible] exposed the villain [illegible]

KEY STORYLINES

- *Last Days of the Justice Society Special* (1986): The JSA battles in an eternal Ragnarok in what was intended to be the team's final adventure.
- *Zero Hour: Crisis in Time #3* (September 1994): Three of the JSA's oldest members perish in an issue that once again appeared to have killed off the team forever.
- *JSA #1* (August 1999): The JSA returns in triumphant form in the first issue of the *Justice Be Done* storyline.

THE JSA 1) [illegible] Mr. Terrific [illegible]

THE JUSTICE SOCIETY OF AMERICA

CURRENT MEMBERS AND POWERS (2008)

Power Girl (chairwoman) Flight, super-strength, enhanced speed, and invulnerability

Green Lantern I Wields solidified emerald energy generated by the Starheart

Flash I Runs at super-speeds and vibrates through objects

Wildcat I Championship boxer with mystical "nine lives"

Dr. Mid-Nite II Can see in non-visible wavelengths of light

Mister Terrific Olympic-level athlete and genius in every field

Hawkman Wings and harness made of anti-gravity Nth metal

Sandman Transforms into sand. As form and can travel along the Earth's fault lines; sees the future through dreams

Hourman Super-strength, enhanced speed, and increased durability for one hour

Liberty Belle Super-speed, enhanced strength

Obsidian Can transform himself into an intangible shadow form

Stargirl Cosmic staff projects energy and allows flight

Jakeem Thunder Controls powerful fifth-dimensional genie

Starman Can increase the mass and gravity of objects

Cyclone Can fly and generate tornadoes by controlling the wind

Damage Enhanced reflexes and strength; emits power bursts

Citizen Steel Super-strength, indestructible organic steel shell

Wildcat III (Tommy Bronson) Can transform into a werecat

THE OLD GUARD [illegible] *Lantern, the Flash, and Wildcat put together the newest Justice Society.*

REBIRTH

The Justice Society of America lay dormant following the Infinite Crisis, with many of its members swept up in the global fight to stop Black Adam known as World War III. JSA founders Green Lantern (Alan Scott), Flash (Jay Garrick), and Wildcat (Ted Grant) selected the aftermath as an opportunity to return the group, taking a cue from Superman, Batman, and Wonder Woman, who had simultaneously chosen to launch a new Justice League of America. The underlying tenet of the new JSA was a simple one: the world needs better good guys.

With an eye for respect, family, and heart, the surviving JSA founders selected the latest lineup. The intergenerational legacies of the heroic age expressed themselves through the election of junior members including Damage (Grant Emerson, son of the original Atom), Starman (Thom Kallor, time-traveling inheritor of the Golden Age name), and the teenage wind witch Cyclone (Maxine Hunkel, granddaughter of original Red Tornado Ma Hunkel). Others signed on to serve with a team that had welcomed them in the past, including Power Girl, Dr. Mid-Nite, Mister Terrific, Stargirl, Jakeem Thunder, Obsidian, Sandman, and the husband and wife team of Hourman and Liberty Belle, both of whom carry on the costumed identities of their respective parents. The new JSA lived up to its billing as a "society," not putting a limit on its sprawling roster. They began operating out of new headquarters in New York City's Battery Park, where they became a vital part of the neighborhood.

RED ALERT *The Justice Society scrambles to tackle a threat. Its membership includes many legacy heroes now wearing the costumed identities of their late relatives.*

ARKHAM NIGHTMARE
Starman & the Dark Destiny's [illegible]

THE LIGHTNING SAGA

The JSA soon learned that Starman wasn't the only hero with ties to the far future. In Arkham Asylum, Starman helped rescue Dream Girl, his teammate from the Legion of Super-Heroes. Still more members of the Legion had made their way 1,000 years into the past and made their presence known. Earlier in the [illegible], the Legionnaires had brought one of their own back from the dead by channeling electricity through lightning rods—now, in an apparent duplication of that stance, Legion members gathered around [illegible] to enable the return of another hero. The Justice Society, the Justice League, and the Legion worked together—despite early misunderstandings between the three teams—and performed a ritual [illegible] successfully Wally West, the third Flash, back. The junior members of the JSA continued to grow into their roles under the mentorship of their elders. Citizen Steel learned that his new body was more than just a metallic prison when he rescued university students from a hostage standoff. Damage faced down his demons with help from Liberty Belle when he pursued the super-villain Zoom to Atlanta, Georgia—a city he had nearly destroyed years before with his out-of-control powers.

ATLANTA STANDOFF [illegible] Liberty Belle [illegible] himself.

TEAMS UNITED *The Lightning Saga* [illegible] *JSA team up with the Justice League and the Legion of Super-Heroes.*

The first to fall [illegible]

Call to Action

The Society's [illegible] a plan by Vandal Savage [illegible] of the surviving Golden Age [illegible] their immediate relatives, [illegible] included Mr America, [illegible] the Minute Man During [illegible] Wildcat [illegible] known—Tommy [illegible] to follow his father into [illegible] with Savage, however, [illegible] through lycanthropy [illegible] JSA [illegible]

Like father, like son [illegible]

Super-hero genocide [illegible]

Savage Vengeance

[illegible] Society [illegible] at the team's [illegible]

Man of [illegible]

The Multiverse and Beyond

[illegible] parallel [illegible] Earth [illegible] DW

KALIBAK

First appearance NEW GODS (1st series) #1 (March 1971)
Status Villain (deceased) **Real name** Kalibak
Occupation Warrior **Base** Apokolips
Height 7ft 9in **Weight** 810 lbs **Eyes** Red **Hair** Black
Special powers/abilities Vast superhuman strength, endurance and near invulnerability; is a powerful brawler and hand-to-hand combatant; wields the Beta Club, which can fire destructive force bolts.

Kalibak [illegible] Apokolips [illegible] Darkseid [illegible] Kalibak [illegible] Darkseid [illegible] Kalibak [illegible] Apokolips [illegible]

[illegible] Kalibak [illegible] During the [illegible] Kalibak [illegible] the mysterious killer. PJ

KAIKI

First appearance DOOM PATROL (2nd series) #1 (October 1987)
Status Villain (missing in action) **Real name** Ashvik Dosia
Occupation Biochemist, physicist **Base** Mobile
Height 5ft 9in **Weight** 147 lbs **Eyes** Black **Hair** Black
Special powers/abilities Scientific genius; controlled spatial portal giving him access to other dimensional creatures; armour contained a variety of weapons and protective devices.

[illegible] Ashvik Dosia [illegible] SB

KAMANDI

First appearance KAMANDI #1 (November 1972)
Status Hero **Real name** Kamandi
Occupation Last boy on Earth **Base** North America
Height 5ft 8in **Weight** 159 lbs **Eyes** Blue **Hair** Blond
Special powers/abilities Skilled fighter, courageous, and resourceful; one of few humans to survive the Great Disaster.

In some parallel [illegible] apocalypse termed the [illegible] [illegible] Command D bunker [illegible] Kamandi [illegible] North America [illegible] [illegible] DW

KALMAKU, TOM

First appearance GREEN LANTERN (2nd series) #2 (September 1960)
Status Hero **Real name** Thomas Kalmaku
Occupation Engineer **Base** Coast City, California
Height 5ft 7in **Weight** 155 lbs
Eyes Brown **Hair** Black
Special powers/abilities A gifted mechanic and a staunch friend to Hal Jordan, but otherwise has no special abilities.

[illegible] Alaska [illegible] Kalmaku [illegible] trapped [illegible] Hal Jordan, the second GREEN LANTERN [illegible] him and Kalmaku quickly deduced [illegible] who was also his pal. A lifelong bond [illegible] between the two after the mine was [illegible] donated to the tribe. Tom stuck with [illegible] Pieface [illegible] Jordan's [illegible] exploits in a series of casebooks. He also fell in love [illegible] marrying her and raising two children. When Jordan died in disgrace, Tom sank into an alcoholic haze. However [illegible] used emerald power to recreate the planet [illegible] finally rejuvenated Tom in rebuilding his life. RG

KANJAR RO

FIRST APPEARANCE JUSTICE LEAGUE OF AMERICA (1st series) #3 (March 1961)
STATUS Villain **REAL NAME** None
OCCUPATION World conqueror **BASE** Outer space
HEIGHT 5ft 4in **WEIGHT** 147 lbs **EYES** Yellow **HAIR** None
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Cunning strategist who rules an advanced alien weaponry. Energy rod used for levitation, and communicating through hyperspace.

[illegible] with [illegible] and [illegible] total [illegible] balance [illegible] travel [illegible] Lantern [illegible] to save the [illegible] separately the JLA [illegible] captured Kanjar Ro.

QUICK EXIT
[illegible] Kyle

TYRANT
Wielding his [illegible]

[illegible] JLA [illegible] Kanjar Ro [illegible]

KANTO

FIRST APPEARANCE MISTER MIRACLE (1st series) #7 (April 1972)
STATUS Villain (deceased) **REAL NAME** Iluthin
OCCUPATION Assassin **BASE** Apokolips
HEIGHT 5ft 11.5in **WEIGHT** 170 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Black
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES A master of weapons, can easily adapt to any weapon from any era; a superb organizer and strategist second only to Darkseid himself among Apokoliptians.

KARATE KID

FIRST APPEARANCE ADVENTURE COMICS #346 (July 1966)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Val Armorr
OCCUPATION Legionnaire **BASE** Earth
HEIGHT 5ft 8in **WEIGHT** 160 lbs **EYES** Black **HAIR** Black
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES A "living weapon," the Kid is a member of every known discipline of martial arts on this and most other worlds, and is a master of them all.

KATANA

FIRST APPEARANCE BRAVE AND THE BOLD #200 (July 1983)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Tatsu Yamashiro
OCCUPATION Martial artist **BASE** Los Angeles
HEIGHT 5ft 2in **WEIGHT** 118 lbs **EYES** Brown **HAIR** Black
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES An expert martial artist whose diminutive stature belies her fighting powers; her Soultaker sword houses the souls of the people she has slain in battle.

Kanto is Apokolips's greatest assassin and [illegible] Darkseid's closest [illegible]. Little is known of his background prior to 15[illegible] when Darkseid exiled Iluthin [illegible] a [illegible] station [illegible] Rome. There the [illegible] learned much from the [illegible] poisoners Cesare and Lucrezia Borgia.

After the Apokoliptian assassin Kanto [illegible] Earth via a Boom Tube and killed Iluthin. [illegible] warrior returned to Apokolips and defeated the murderer. Impressed, Darkseid executed the fallen man and declared Iluthin his new master assassin, the no-longer-numbered Kanto. Over the years, Kanto has accomplished much for his master, but he also developed a deep [illegible] their [illegible] as well as his own. During the Death of the New Gods event, Kanto's skills could not save him [illegible] at the hands of [illegible] killer. RG

[illegible] Val Armorr [illegible] Legion [illegible] Karate Kid [illegible] Legion [illegible]

At [illegible] helped other [illegible] them [illegible]

[illegible] with Legion [illegible] took the [illegible] Apokolips, allowing them to [illegible] a plot by Brother [illegible] of DMA [illegible] DW

A [illegible] Tatsu [illegible] Maseo Yamashiro [illegible] children [illegible] brother Takeo, a member of the Yakuza crime [illegible] with Tatsu and killed Maseo [illegible] the Soultaker. Tatsu took [illegible] and honed her skills as a [illegible] with a sensei master named [illegible] Tatsu named herself Katana [illegible] signature weapon.

Katana joined the Outsiders [illegible] Eventually Katana [illegible] Maseo and killed him [illegible] PJ

KATMA TUI

FIRST APPEARANCE GREEN LANTERN (2nd series) #30 (July 1964)
STATUS Hero (deceased) **REAL NAME** None
OCCUPATION Green Lantern **BASE** Earth; formerly Korugar
HEIGHT 5ft 11in **WEIGHT** 131 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Black
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES One of the most accomplished and courageous ring bearers of the Green Lantern Corps.

Katma Tui [illegible] planet Korugar [illegible] SB

KEY, THE

FIRST APPEARANCE JUSTICE LEAGUE OF AMERICA (1st series) #4 (December 1965)
STATUS Villain **REAL NAME** Unrevealed **OCCUPATION** Would-be world conqueror **BASE** Mobile **HEIGHT** 6ft [illegible] in **WEIGHT** 197 lbs **EYES** Red **HAIR** White **SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES** Master escape artist who carries a neural shock rifle and can control minds with his psycho-chemicals.

[illegible] DW

KGBEAST

FIRST APPEARANCE BATMAN #417 (March 1988)
STATUS Villain (deceased) **REAL NAME** Anatoli Knyazev
OCCUPATION Assassin **BASE** Gotham City
HEIGHT 6ft 3in **WEIGHT** 371 lbs **EYES** Brown **HAIR** Unknown
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Extraordinary hand-to-hand combatant; master of weapons and explosives; has a gun instead of left hand.

[illegible] PJ

KHAN, RAMA

FIRST APPEARANCE JLA #62 (March 2002)
STATUS Undecided **REAL NAME** Unrevealed
OCCUPATION Elemental defender **BASE** Jarhanpur
HEIGHT 6ft 5in **WEIGHT** 199 lbs **EYES** Black **HAIR** Black
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Superstrong, immortal, great magician; can turn a handful of Jarhanpur soil into fire, granite, or a sea of wine.

[illegible] Rama Khan [illegible]

ELEMENTAL DEFENDER PAST OR PRESENT [illegible]

[illegible] SB

KENTS, THE

FIRST APPEARANCE (Ma Kent) ACTION COMICS #1 (June 1938)
STATUS Ally **REAL NAME** Martha Clark Kent
OCCUPATION Farmer's wife **BASE** Smallville, Kansas
HEIGHT 5ft 4in **WEIGHT** 140 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Red
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Martha has no combat skills but is wonderfully kindhearted and an excellent cook and baker.
FIRST APPEARANCE (Pa Kent) Action Comics #1 (June 1938)
STATUS Ally **REAL NAME** Jonathan Kent
OCCUPATION Farmer **BASE** Smallville, Kansas
HEIGHT 5ft 11in **WEIGHT** 185 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Gray/blond
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Jonathan's army training makes him an above-average combatant; he is also an excellent farmer.

[illegible] they decided to adopt the child from another world. They christened him Clark and instilled in him their own strong moral values. These stood him in particularly good stead when Clark developed superpowers and became the [illegible] the Infinite Crisis. RG

PERFECT PARENTS The [illegible] in the fields near [illegible] farm.

KID DEVIL

FIRST APPEARANCE BLUE DEVIL #14 (July 1985)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Eddie Bloomberg
OCCUPATION Professional adventurer **BASE** San Francisco
HEIGHT 5ft 8in **WEIGHT** 165 lbs **EYES** Yellow **HAIR** White
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Enhanced strength, agility and self-healing burning skin; ability to breathe fire.

[illegible] to form [illegible] to Blue Devil [illegible] to form Neron [illegible] Blue Devil had [illegible] the death of Eddie [illegible] the truth of [illegible] Devil was shattered [illegible] he had [illegible] into Neron's hands. With the [illegible] Kid Devil struggled for respect [illegible] experienced [illegible], and [illegible] a friendship with fellow newcomer Ravager. Among [illegible] Crusader, a religiously-motivated [illegible] to exorcise [illegible] demonic stain [illegible]. DW

LEGIONAL [illegible]

EYE TO EYE [illegible]

KID ETERNITY

FIRST APPEARANCE HIT COMICS #25 (December 1942)
STATUS Hero (deceased) **REAL NAME** Kit Freeman
OCCUPATION Ghost **BASE** England
HEIGHT 5ft 10in **WEIGHT** 164 lbs **EYES** Brown **HAIR** Brown
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Could summon dead spirits throughout the ages to advise him.

Young Kit Freeman [illegible] by a Nazi [illegible] World War II. [illegible] from the higher [illegible] named Mister Keeper that he was not fated to die for another 75 years. Because [illegible] could not be returned [illegible] Mister Keeper granted [illegible] summon [illegible] of ghostly [illegible] and returned with [illegible]. In reality the [illegible] Kid Eternity [illegible] by an Agent [illegible]. After [illegible] Kid Eternity became [illegible] Hell [illegible] Hell with Mister Keeper [illegible] but he [illegible] went to Heaven [illegible] the pits of Hell [illegible] with Mordru the DARK LORD [illegible] the doorway separating [illegible] to defeat Brother Blood [illegible] the TEEN TITANS. RG

KID QUANTUM I & II

FIRST APPEARANCE (I) LEGION OF SUPER-HEROES #33 (September 1992) (II) LEGION OF SUPER-HEROES (4th series) #82 (July 1996)
STATUS Heroes **REAL NAMES** (I) James Cullen (II) Jazmin Cullen
OCCUPATION Legionnaires **BASE** Legion World
HEIGHT (I) 5ft 11in (II) 5ft 8in **WEIGHT** (I) 170 lbs, (II) 145 lbs
EYES (I) Brown, (II) amber **HAIR** (I) Black (II) black
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Able to project stasis fields that halt the movement of time within their sphere of influence.

[illegible] joined the LEGION OF SUPER-HEROES [illegible] belt [illegible] prompted the Legion [illegible] internal device [illegible] Legion. As Kid Quantum [illegible] but underwent [illegible] of relying on [illegible] toward the Legion [illegible] Kid Quantum [illegible] Legion [illegible] Kid Quantum [illegible] Legion [illegible] aid [illegible] through [illegible] Sprouting. DW

AMAZING [illegible] Legion Kid Quantum [illegible]

BONDS OF THE HEART [illegible]

KILLER CROC

FIRST APPEARANCE BATMAN #357 (January 1984)
STATUS Villain **REAL NAME** Waylon Jones
OCCUPATION Alligator wrestler, gangster, murderer **BASE** Mobile
HEIGHT 7ft 5in **WEIGHT** 686 lbs **EYES** Red **HAIR** None
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Near superhuman strength; dense but not invulnerable skin; razor sharp teeth and claws; expert wrestler

[illegible] PJ

MUTANT MONSTER [illegible]

KILLER FROST II

FIRST APPEARANCE FURY OF FIRESTORM #20 (February 1984)
STATUS Villain **REAL NAME** Dr. Louise Lincoln
OCCUPATION Professional criminal **BASE** Mobile
HEIGHT 5ft 3in **WEIGHT** 124 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Blue
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Projects waves of hyper-intense cold from her body; able to create sheets of ice or icicle-like projectiles

[illegible] power and an [illegible] look all her own. SB

SEWERS [illegible]

KILLER SHARK

FIRST APPEARANCE BLACKHAWK (1st series) #50 (March 1952)
STATUS Villain **REAL NAME** Unrevealed
OCCUPATION Pirate **BASE** Mobile
HEIGHT 5ft 11in **WEIGHT** 185 lbs **EYES** Unknown **HAIR** Unknown
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Relies on amazing vessels: the triphibious Shark Jet, an Octopus Sub, a Whale Sub, and a Swordfish Sub.

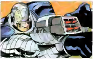
In 1950 the Blackhawks (see BLACKHAWKS) [illegible] Killer Shark [illegible] Killer Shark [illegible] Killer Shark [illegible] RG

JAWS OF DEATH [illegible] Killer Shark [illegible]

KILLSHOT

FIRST APPEARANCE TITANS SECRET FILES #2 (September 2000)
STATUS Villain **REAL NAME** Unrevealed
OCCUPATION Member of the Hangmen **BASE** Mobile
HEIGHT 6ft 1in **WEIGHT** 721 lbs **EYES** Brown **HAIR** Brown
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Cyborg with enhanced strength and agility; wields an arsenal of tools for carnage.

[illegible] Killshot [illegible] DW



CYBORG [illegible]

KINETIX

FIRST APPEARANCE LEGION OF SUPER-HEROES (4th series) #66 (March 1995)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Zoe Saugin
OCCUPATION Legionnaire **BASE** Legion World, U.P. Space
HEIGHT 5ft 4in **WEIGHT** 126 lbs **EYES** Green **HAIR** Auburn
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Hypertaxis-powered *magic* human; formerly able to cast an energy field allowing her to remold objects.

[illegible] SB

KING FARADAY

FIRST APPEARANCE DANGER TRAIL #1 (August 1950)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** King Faraday
OCCUPATION Government espionage agent **BASE** Washington, D.C.
HEIGHT 6ft **WEIGHT** 185 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** White
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES An Olympic-level athlete in his youth, he remains exceptionally fit.

King Faraday [illegible] BATMAN [illegible] Washington D.C. [illegible] Amanda Waller (see WALLER, AMANDA) at the White [illegible] RG

SECRET AGENT [illegible]

KILOWOG

FIRST APPEARANCE GREEN LANTERN CORPS #201 (June 1986) **STATUS** Hero **REAL NAME** Kilowog
OCCUPATION Scientist, adventurer **BASE** Deep space
HEIGHT 8ft 3in **WEIGHT** 720 lbs **EYES** Red **HAIR** None
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Possessed a Green Lantern ring limited only by the color yellow; vast scientific knowledge.

[illegible] Hal Jordan [illegible] Kilowog [illegible]

MACHINESMITH [illegible] JLA before being foiled by [illegible] Green Lantern [illegible]

KING OF TEARS

First appearance JSA #18 (January 2001)
Status Villain **Real name** Unknown
Occupation Unspeakable horror **Base** Subtle Realms
Height Various **Weight** Various **Eyes** None **Hair** None
Special powers/abilities Mind control abilities; commands an army of evil monsters

[illegible] DW

KING SOLOVAR

First appearance THE FLASH (1st series) #106 (April 1959)
Status Hero (deceased) **Real name** Solovar
Occupation Monarch **Base** Gorilla City, Africa
Height 6ft 5in **Weight** 603 lbs **Eyes** Black **Hair** Gray
Special powers/abilities A gifted telepath and benevolent ruler

[illegible] SB

KING, THE

First appearance FLASH COMICS #3 (March 1940)
Status Hero **Real name** King Standish
Occupation Crime fighter **Base** New York City
Height 5ft 11in **Weight** 184 lbs **Eyes** Blue **Hair** Blond
Special powers/abilities A master of disguise, able to fool the keenest observer; good with a pistol but generally eschewed weapons; preferred to use his fists.

[illegible] RG

KING SHARK

First appearance SUPERBOY (3rd series) #0 (October 1994)
Status Villain **Real name** Nanaue
Occupation Adventurer **Base** Hawaii
Height 7ft **Weight** 380 lbs **Eyes** Black **Hair** None
Special powers/abilities Superstrength; invulnerability; and a mouth full of razor-sharp teeth; can breathe underwater

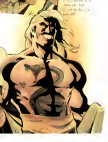
[illegible] DW

KING SNAKE

First appearance ROBIN (1st series) #1 (November 1990)
Status Villain (deceased) **Real name** Sir Edmund Dorrance
Occupation Crime lord **Base** Gotham City
Height 6ft 2in **Weight** 220 lbs **Eyes** White **Hair** Blond
Special powers/abilities Master of several lethal martial arts

[illegible] PJ

STING IN THE TAIL [illegible] fatal fall!

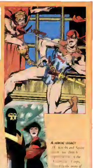


KNIGHT & SQUIRE

FIRST APPEARANCE (I) BATMAN #62 (January 1951) (II) JLA #26 (February 1999) **STATUS** Heroes **REAL NAME** (Knight I, Squire I) Percival Sheldrake (Knight II, Squire II) Cyril Sheldrake
OCCUPATION Adventurers **BASE** Wordenshire, England
HEIGHT (Knight I) 5ft 10in, (Knight II) 5ft 11in **WEIGHT** (Knight I) 167 lbs, (Knight II) 175 lbs **EYES** (both) Brown **HAIR** (both) Brown
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES (Knight I) Expert swordsman, combatant and rider; (II) micro fighter jets, tanks, etc. controlled by gauntlet keypad.

[illegible] Sheldrake [illegible] Wordenshire [illegible] in North Africa during World War II and [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] England was rescued by the SHINING KNIGHT, who took the young man on as his Squire. [illegible] two heroes joined the ALL-STAR SQUADRON and the SEVEN SOLDIERS OF VICTORY and at the behest of President F.D. Roosevelt, the [illegible] of the Young All-Stars.

After [illegible] prisoner of war [illegible] now [illegible] the Knight [illegible] the [illegible] [illegible] of the U.N. He [illegible] Cyril [illegible] becoming [illegible] England [illegible] When [illegible] inherited [illegible] riding a [illegible] With [illegible] Squire [illegible] helped BATMAN [illegible] Club of Heroes. PJ



A HEROIC LEGACY The Knight and Squire [illegible] Batman [illegible] of the [illegible] Corps, [illegible] the ruins of Montevideo, Uruguay.

KNOCKOUT

FIRST APPEARANCE SUPERBOY (3rd series) #2 (March 1994)
STATUS Villain (deceased) **REAL NAME** Unknown; has used the alias "Kay"
OCCUPATION Criminal, former exotic dancer **BASE** Mobile
HEIGHT 6ft **WEIGHT** 164 lbs **EYES** Green **HAIR** Red
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Trained in the battle techniques of the Female Furies; possesses superstrength and endurance; can be defeated by exploiting her fear of being trapped, a side-effect of her training.

The statuesque super-villain known as Knockout began her life on Apokolips. At a young age, she was selected to leave the squalid GRANNY GOODNESS orphanage and become a trainee in the much-feared FEMALE FURIES. Although respected for her fighting ferocity, Knockout's impudence displeased Granny on many occasions. She was routinely punished with solitary confinement, chained alone in the fire pits of Armagetto. There she met the insurgent HIMON, who encouraged Knockout to choose her own destiny.

After BIG BARDA escaped the Furies, Knockout was similarly inspired to leave Apokolips behind for good. When punished yet again for her disrespect, Knockout freed herself and traveled via Boom Tube to Earth, Hawaii specifically, where she exploited her beauty by becoming a sultry stripper. Later she relied on her brawn to fight SUPERBOY in her guise as a costumed villainess. Enamored by Knockout's considerable attributes, Superboy attempted to reform her. Ultimately, Knockout was imprisoned after killing a police officer. After starting a romance with SCANDAL, Knockout became a spy in the ranks of the Society (see VILLAINS UNITED) and later joined the SECRET SIX. Knockout lost her life during the Death of the New Gods event, murdered by an unseen assailant. SB

KLARION, THE WITCH BOY

FIRST APPEARANCE THE DEMON (1st series) #7 (March 1973)
STATUS Villain **REAL NAME** Klarion
OCCUPATION Warlock **BASE** Mobile
HEIGHT 5ft 1in **WEIGHT** 113 lbs
EYES Black **HAIR** Black
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Despite small size and apparent youth, wields near-limitless power; has a wicked sense of humor.

[illegible] the [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] Melmoth the Sheeda [illegible] that [illegible] centuries beneath the subway [illegible] of New York City. [illegible] a young [illegible] leader [illegible] Klarion [illegible] above ground [illegible] Blue [illegible] There he fell in with a gang of superpowered youths and helped them steal a tunneling machine—allowing Melmoth to burrow into Limbo Town and loot its treasures. Klarion stopped Melmoth by merging with his witch familiar, the cat Teekl, and transforming into a monstrous Horigal.

With Limbo Town safe, Klarion returned to the surface during the final battle against the Sheeda. He used his magic to control the SEVEN SOLDIERS [illegible] and become the new Sheeda King. [illegible] travel allowed Klarion to return, crossing paths [illegible] MARY MARVEL and Etrigan the DEMON. DW

KOLE

FIRST APPEARANCE NEW TEEN TITANS (2nd series) #9 (June 1985)
STATUS Hero (deceased) **REAL NAME** Kole Weathers
OCCUPATION Adventurer **BASE** New York City
HEIGHT 5ft 4in **WEIGHT** 123 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Red
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Could project tough crystal forms that worked on their own or as a coating over other objects

Dr. Abel Weathers was convinced that mankind was doomed to be wiped out in a nuclear holocaust [illegible] he experimented [illegible] humanity [illegible] that [illegible] Kole. This [illegible] She fought bravely [illegible] during [illegible] Battles [illegible] RG

KORDAX

FIRST APPEARANCE ATLANTIS CHRONICLES #4 (June 1990)
STATUS Villain (deceased) **REAL NAME** Kordax
OCCUPATION Adventurer **BASE** Atlantis
HEIGHT 6ft 6in **WEIGHT** 535 lbs **EYES** Red **HAIR** Blond
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Could breathe underwater and communicate telepathically with sea life; enhanced strength and toughness.

Kordax is still spoken of in [illegible] tones by the citizens of Atlantis. Born to Queen [illegible] of Poseidonis but abandoned at birth due to his grotesque green scaled body, Kordax survived in the ocean thanks to his mental control over sea creatures. As an adult he returned to Atlantis leading an army of sharks. [illegible] failed but [illegible] His punishment included the loss of his left hand (replaced with a sword) and banishment. Kordax's legend [illegible] Atlantean [illegible] regarding blond [illegible] referred to as the Curse of Kordax.

Many ages later, Kordax returned [illegible] Poseidonis [illegible] in the [illegible] beneath the [illegible] Aquaman [illegible] Kordax fell [illegible] DW

KORYAK

FIRST APPEARANCE AQUAMAN (3rd series) #35 (January 1995)
STATUS Undecided **REAL NAME** Koryak
OCCUPATION Exiled prince of Atlantis **BASE** Northern Canada
HEIGHT 5ft 8in **WEIGHT** 175 lbs **EYES** Brown **HAIR** Brown
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Amphibious, superspeed; can psychically create "hard water" weapons.

The [illegible] of AQUAMAN and the [illegible] Koryak was raised [illegible] remote village [illegible] the [illegible] Atlantean heritage.

As a teenager, Koryak was introduced to Aquaman. Aquaman was ill prepared [illegible] Aquaman's own [illegible] Resentful [illegible] relationship [illegible] Koryak eventually took up residence in Atlantis [illegible] kingdom. Against his father's [illegible] Koryak [illegible] a great [illegible] of Atlantis [illegible] the capital city Poseidonis and into the tomb [illegible] Tritonis. There he unwittingly released the [illegible] KORDAX and embroiled Atlantis in a great war [illegible] the god Triton.

As a result of his misguided actions, Koryak was banished from Atlantis. He returned [illegible] village [illegible] PJ

KOBRA

FIRST APPEARANCE KOBRA #1 (March 1976)
STATUS Villain (deceased) **REAL NAME** Lord Naga
OCCUPATION International terrorist **BASE** The Himalayas
HEIGHT 6ft 2in **WEIGHT** 200 lbs **EYES** Black **HAIR** None
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Combat expert and brilliant strategist [illegible] a bulletproof [illegible]

Kobra was just a man, but his worldwide influence and cold intellect made him far more dangerous than any superpowered thug. He was raised from infancy by the Kobra Cult of India after cultists stole him from his parents and separated him from his conjoined twin, Jason Burr. Kobra believed himself to be the most important person in the world—the only one who could lead the Kobra Cult through the Kali Yuga, or time of great chaos.

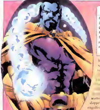
At first, the U.S. government used the psychic link that Jason Burr shared with his evil twin to gain advance warning of Kobra's plans. Kobra killed Burr, but the spirit of his twin haunted him.

Kobra's schemes were always spectacular. He manipulated hundreds of individuals to do his bidding, scouring the planet for objects of power, including the mystical Spear of Destiny. Kobra also orchestrated the Janus Directive, which pitted U.S. intelligence agencies against one another.

After surviving an attempt by KING SNAKE to usurp his leadership of the Kobra Cult, Kobra tried to blackmail the world by causing the crash of an airliner. When Kobra escaped punishment, ATOM-SMASHER, whose mother had died in the crash, BLACK ADAM, NORTHWIND, and Brainwave invaded Kobra's Himalayan stronghold and executed him. DW

RETURN TO POWER *Kobra squashed an attempted coup in his Himalayan mountain lair, in which disloyal cultists promoted an impostor to assume their master's place.*

SERPENT SURPRISE *Reptile-themed punishments are a favorite for Kobra, seen here covering a victim in highly poisonous coral snakes.*



KRONA

FIRST APPEARANCE GREEN LANTERN (2nd series) #40 (October 1965)
STATUS Villain (disincorporated) **REAL NAME** None
OCCUPATION Scientist, would-be tyrant **BASE** Nekron's dimension
HEIGHT 6ft 8in **WEIGHT** 349 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Black
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Immortal and invulnerable. Krona's vast psionic abilities were increased by the demon Nekron to surpass the powers of the Guardians of the Universe.

More than ten billion years [illegible] scientist Krona [illegible] [illegible] king the origins of the [illegible] [illegible] to peel back the veil of [illegible] [illegible] and the whole fabric of the [illegible] [illegible] at the hand of creation [illegible] Krona's machine exploded and [illegible] [illegible] The universe became two, [illegible] matter and anti-matter halves. The MONITOR, [illegible] doppelganger the Anti-Monitor were born and [illegible] engulfed the 50 million worlds of the positive-matter [illegible] (see Great Battles pp. 362–3).

The OA GUARDIANS OF THE UNIVERSE punished [illegible] turning his body into pure energy and throwing [illegible] breadth of the Multiverse. Billions of years later, Krona [illegible] disembodied exile and entered the dimension of [illegible] by the demon Nekron. He restored Krona to corporeal [illegible] gave him the power to take revenge on the Guardians. [illegible] massive battles with the GREEN LANTERN CORPS, GREEN LANTERN Hal Jordan forced Krona's armies back into Nekron's demonic realm. No one knows whether Krona is aware that the multiverse [illegible] survived in the wake of the Infinite Crisis. **SB**

ALTERING REALITY
[illegible] Krona [illegible] [illegible] of [illegible] and nearly destroyed [illegible]

KRYPTONITE MAN

FIRST APPEARANCE SUPERBOY #83 (September 1960)
STATUS Villain **REAL NAME** K. Russell Abernathy
OCCUPATION Criminal scientist **BASE** Metropolis
HEIGHT 6ft **WEIGHT** 185 lbs **EYES** Black **HAIR** Black
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Enhanced strength; ability to control and emit kryptonite radiation.

The Kryptonite Man [illegible] Dr. K. Russell Abernathy [illegible] of Metropolis [illegible] to use the [illegible] radiation [illegible] the power [illegible] [illegible] Superman [illegible]

[illegible] Kryptonite [illegible] The Kryptonite Man [illegible] of Krypton [illegible] SUPERBOY. **DW**

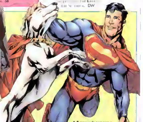
KRYPTO THE SUPERDOG

FIRST APPEARANCE ADVENTURE COMICS #210 (March 1955)
STATUS Heroic, but not always good **REAL NAME** Krypto
OCCUPATION Superman's best friend **BASE** Fortress of Solitude
HEIGHT 2ft 5in **WEIGHT** 40 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** White
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Under Earth's solar radiation, Krypto is as enhanced among animals as Superman is among mortals with superior strength, invulnerability, and the power of flight.

SUPERMAN is believed to have met Krypto during his brief infancy on Krypton. After the planet's destruction, the El family pet somehow traveled to Earth. He soon re-established contact with Kal-El, sharing many of his powers including flight, super-strength, and heat vision. With the sun's radiation enhancing his abilities, Krypto proved to be too exuberant for Superman's Metropolis apartment. Superman has installed his pet in his arctic Fortress of Solitude, although as the occasions require, he is freed to participate in adventures such as the recent Imperiex War (see Great Battles pp. 362–3).

Krypto's keen abilities have been called into use by Superman and even BATMAN on more than one occasion. He formed a bond with SUPERBOY during a stay on the KENTS' family farm, but usually resides in the Arctic Fortress. **RG**

IN THE DOGHOUSE
[illegible] apartment defintely has its drawback.



SUPERMAN'S BEST FRIEND
Krypto [illegible] resides in Superman's [illegible]

DOWN BOY!
Fortunately for Mongul, the Man of Steel is on hand when Krypto loses his temper defending his master.

BEWARE OF THE DOG
[illegible] the Poison Ivy has a match [illegible] when Krypto [illegible]

L E G I O N

FIRST APPEARANCE INVASION #2 (1989)
STATUS Heroes **BASE** The planet Cairn
KEY MEMBERS AND POWERS
Captain Comet (leader) Telekinetic and telepathic abilities.
Davroth Callo Flight, uncanny aerial agility.
Garryn Bek No superhuman abilities.
Marij'n Bek No superhuman abilities.
Darkstar Eydea Mallori Projects a negative energy field.
Vril Dox II (retired) 12th level intellect.
Amon Hakk Tremendous Khund strength.
Lobo (no longer active) Amazing regenerative abilities.
Zana Moonstruk Can absorb light and emit it in bursts.
Stealth Can manipulate soundwaves.
Strata Superstrength, invulnerability.
Garv Advanced telepathic abilities.

Formed during an alien invasion of Earth, the Licensed Extra-Governmental Interstellar Operatives Network (L.E.G.I.O.N.) is a heroic peacekeeping force protecting planets that subscribe to its service. The brilliant Coluan Vril Dox II (son of BRAINIAC) founded L.E.G.I.O.N. after he and its original core members escaped from a Dominator-run "Starlag" prison camp. On their first mission Vril Dox and his compatriots liberated Dox's homeworld of Colu from the domineering grip of the ruling computer tyrants. They then cleaned out the riffraff from the vile planet of Cairn—the galaxy's "drug world"—and made it their headquarters. L.E.G.I.O.N.'s rapid run of successes lured several high-paying clients and attracted new members. The membership roster would remain in constant flux. L.E.G.I.O.N. continued its success until Dox's malevolent son Lyrl usurped control. Several members formed a rival team, R.E.B.E.L.S., to restore L.E.G.I.O.N.'s good name. Vril Dox recaptured L.E.G.I.O.N. just in time for the Rann–Thanagar War. DW

PEACE-KEEPING SQUADRON Some of the key members of L.E.G.I.O.N. past and present. **1)** Garryn Bek **2)** Telepath **3)** [illegible] **4)** Lady Quark **5)** Vril Dox II **6)** Phase **7)** Strata **8)** Lobo **9)** Captain Comet **10)** Marij'n Bek **11)** Stealth

L A B R A T S

FIRST APPEARANCE LABRATS #1 (April 2002)
STATUS Heroes (deceased) **BASE** The Campus
MEMBERS AND POWERS
Poe Possesses a high level intellect.
Alex Athlete.
Isaac The team strongman.
Trilly Computer whiz.
Dune Street-smart fighter.
Wu Possesses infiltration abilities.

Products of the mysterious institution known only as The Campus, the Labrats were investigators, explorers and guinea pigs. The Campus scientists, for their own mysterious reasons, exploited their eager test subjects by pitting them against various simulated dangers in specially designed virtual reality scenarios. The Labrats, whose oldest member was just 16, were trained in these simulations to handle extreme situations. Most of the Labrats were homeless teenagers who exchanged their lives as street urchins for this high-tech training.

When their teammate Gia was killed during one of the training programs, they left the Campus, encountering for the first time the very real dangers they had faced only as laboratory simulations, including rogue scientific oddities, UFOs, SUPERMAN, and a theme park populated by genetically engineered monsters. Tragically, their Campus training could not prevent them all from being killed. PJ

VIRTUAL REALITY Scientist Robert Quinlan trained the young Labrats in virtual reality simulations to prepare them for the dangers they might face for real, but all the [illegible] **1)** Alex **2)** Poe **3)** Isaac **4)** Trilly **5)** Wu

L A D Y   B L A C K H A W K

FIRST APPEARANCE BLACKHAWK #133 (February 1959)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Zinda Blake **OCCUPATION** Pilot adventurer **BASE** Metropolis
HEIGHT 5ft 7in **WEIGHT** 117 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Blonde
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Expert flyer and markswoman with superior hand to hand combat abilities.

Zinda Blake, more commonly known as Lady Blackhawk, became an expert pilot during World War II with the intention of becoming the first female member of the legendary BLACKHAWKS. Soon accepted among their number, Blake joined their wartime exploits and fought KILLER SHARK, who brainwashed her into becoming his [illegible]. After the reality-warping event known as Zero Hour, Lady Blackhawk appeared in the modern era showing no signs of having aged since the 1940s. When ORACLE offered her a position as pilot for the BIRDS OF PREY, Blake agreed, and found where her hard-drinking, tough-broad lifestyle made her feel right at home among women such as BLACK CANARY II and BIG BARDA. Lady Blackhawk resigned from the team when forced to take orders from SPY SMASHER but returned once Oracle's leadership role had been restored.

A second woman, Natalie Reed, also went by the code name Lady Blackhawk. Reed's tenure with the Blackhawks covered the end of World War II and many of the Cold War years. DW

OLD SOLDIER Zinda Blake has hardly aged since the 1940s. She can fly nearly any type of aircraft [illegible] and an expert in [illegible] and can drink [illegible] under the table.

LADY SHIVA

WORLD'S GREATEST FIGHTER

FIRST APPEARANCE RICHARD DRAGON, KUNG FU FIGHTER #5 (January 1976)
STATUS Villain **REAL NAME** Sandra Woosan (Lady Shiva Wu San)
OCCUPATION Martial artist **BASE** Mobile
HEIGHT 5ft 8in **WEIGHT** 14[illegible] lbs **EYES** Brown **HAIR** Black
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Lady Shiva is a master of virtually every known (and several forgotten) martial-arts disciplines; will stop at nothing to become the world's best and most lethal fighter.

When evil [illegible] that falsely convinced Sandra Woosan [illegible] artist Richard Dragon [illegible] her sister Carolyn Woosan [illegible]. As Lady Shiva, Woosan fought Dragon before the deception was revealed. Lady Shiva then allied herself with Dragon and the Bronze Tiger (Dragon's friend and partner Ben Turner) to dismantle Cravat's criminal consortium while serving as an operative of G.O.O.D., a U.S. government-sponsored spy organization. Later, Shiva opted for solo intrigue as a mercenary and hired assassin, honing her already formidable martial-arts skills to optimum efficiency. In this regard, Shiva has fought on both sides of the law.

CHALLENGERS [illegible] martial-artist in the world, [illegible] Shiva to beat [illegible] and pretenders.

AGAINST THE LAW [illegible]

LIVING WEAPON

[illegible] credited with training the Question to become a better fighter, as well as helping Batman to regain the use of his legs and fighting spirit after [illegible] Bane had crippled him. However, both heroes know well that Shiva's loyalties are capricious.

[illegible] her Shiva wields ninja and samurai arms with [illegible] her own body is a far more formidable weapon. [illegible] the world, Shiva has blended [illegible] fighting [illegible] karate, savate, capoeira, kung fu, and countless other martial arts [illegible] a style ideally suited for her size [illegible]. Opponents [illegible] estimate Shiva to their [illegible].

TOP OF HER GAME [illegible]

MOTHER AND DAUGHTER

The emergence of Batgirl Cassandra Cain shed new light on Lady Shiva's history. During Shiva's assassin training, David Cain [illegible] daughter [illegible] greater [illegible] martial [illegible] through her desire for revenge, Shiva achieve[illegible] with the League of Assassins and eventually bore a daughter [illegible] Cassandra—with Cain. After Cassandra [illegible] Batgirl, Shiva challenged her [illegible] Both [illegible] Cassandra died and [illegible] in a Lazarus Pit, then [illegible] Shiva and left her for dead.

With her daughter taking the reigns of the League of Assassins, Lady Shiva chose to follow a new path. Following [illegible] Oracle [illegible] her to join the Birds of Prey. Taking the name Jade Canary, Shiva took the place of Black Canary, who had agreed to undergo a [illegible] Shiva's own training in Vietnam. Her time with the Birds of Prey did little to temper Shiva's ruthless [illegible] In Vietnam, Black Canary befriended a young girl [illegible] Shiva's eventual successor. After bringing [illegible] the [illegible] Canary did her best to raise Sin as her [illegible] Shiva [illegible] took Bethany Thorne, daughter of the villain [illegible] as her new apprentice. SB/DW

SHOWDOWN [illegible] daughter Cassandra [illegible] used her [illegible] fight.

MEETING OF THE MINDS [illegible] Lady Shiva and Black Canary [illegible] understand one another and the change each [illegible]

KEY STORYLINES
- ***BATMAN* #509 (JULY 1994)** After Bane snaps Batman's spine, Lady Shiva helps the Dark Knight work his way back to fighting strength.
- ***BATGIRL* #36 (MAY 2003)** Lady Shiva's daughter, Cassandra Cain, uses her fighting training to defeat her mother in combat.
- ***BIRDS OF PREY* #92 (MAY 2006)** Temporarily working for the good guys as a member of Oracle's Birds of Prey, Lady Shiva makes her debut as the Jade Canary.

LANE, LOIS

WORLD-CLASS REPORTER

FIRST APPEARANCE ACTION COMICS #1 (June 1938)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Lois Joanne Lane
OCCUPATION Reporter **BASE** Metropolis
HEIGHT 5ft 6in **WEIGHT** 136 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Black
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Superb investigative journalist with an instinctive "nose" for a good story; trained in various hand-to-hand combat techniques and an adequate markswoman.

A PULITZER PRIZE-WINNING JOURNALIST Lois Lane specializes in reporting from the front lines of war zones and natural catastrophes for Metropolis's *Daily Planet* newspaper. One day a truly incredible story presented itself right in her own backyard. While covering a LexCorp-engineered disaster in Metropolis with young photographer Jimmy Olsen (*see* OLSEN, JIMMY), Lois was rescued from certain death by a superstrong flying man. She became the very first reporter to record the exploits of the amazing costumed champion she named SUPERMAN. Her world, already full of activity, had just been turned upside down.

AWAY FROM IT ALL Superman and Lois take a well-earned break from [illegible] world!

DADDY DEAREST [illegible] always [illegible]

A NOSE FOR NEWS

The daughter of General Sam and [illegible] Lane, Lois was born in a U.S. Army hospital outside West Berlin, Germany. Sam Lane had wanted a boy and did [illegible] his disappointment [illegible] Lois, who became [illegible] model [illegible] self-[illegible] in response [illegible] distance. After high school [illegible] moved [illegible] and [illegible] [illegible] Daily Planet [illegible] [illegible] Daily Planet's leading investigative reporter, [illegible] awards and a daredevil reputation. After Superman's first appearance, she befriended both the Man of Steel and a new mild-mannered reporter named Clark Kent. [illegible] biggest story was right under Lois's nose: Clark and Superman [illegible] person!

Over time and [illegible] Lois and Clark fell in love and became engaged. Shortly after Clark revealed his secret identity to Lois. Shocked as she was, she still agreed to marry him, as she loved Clark regardless and was moved that he had shared his secret with her. Tragedy struck when the Kryptonian creature Doomsday seemingly killed Superman during a violent rampage through the streets of Metropolis. Devastated, Lois cradled her dying lover in her arms as the life slowly ebbed from Superman's body. But Lois didn't have to [illegible] long, and upon Superman's return from the dead, the couple had a joyous reunion.

During one of the Justice [illegible] Lois was shocked to discover that Superman was willing to let [illegible] rather than kill the villain to save his life. Her doubts fueled by this and other factors, she broke off her engagement to Clark and accepted an offer to [illegible] the Planet's foreign [illegible]. However, [illegible] the last minute [illegible] that she still loved Clark, and the happy couple were finally married.

[illegible] bought the financially troubled Daily Planet [illegible] Lois was one of the few who [illegible] enterprise. Lex eventually sold the paper back to its editor, Perry White (*see* WHITE, PERRY), having secretly arranged a deal whereby Lois agreed to kill one story of Luthor's choosing in the future. Lois's discovery that Luthor had had advance knowledge of the coming war with IMPERIEX (*see* Great Battles, pp. [illegible]) became the scoop that she reluctantly agreed to kill. Meanwhile, Clark and Lois faced a different situation: Lois had been impersonated for weeks by the PARASITE, a villain who sought to destroy all that Superman stood for. With BATMAN's help, Superman rescued the real Lois after the Parasite died as a result of his backfired scheme. Lois's father was a casualty of the Imperiex War, and she grieved that their relationship would now never be repaired. She [illegible] dedicated to her journalistic ideals regardless of the danger they place her in, and her relationship with Clark has never been stronger.

INTREPID REPORTER Lois [illegible] to [illegible] a good story.

TRUE LOVE [illegible] and death [illegible]

KEY STORYLINES
- *ACTION COMICS #662 (1991):* Clark reveals the secret of his identity to his fiancée
- *SUPERMAN: THE WEDDING ALBUM (1996)* Lois marries Clark in the wedding of the century!
- *SUPERMAN (2ND SERIES) #151 (2001):* Lois makes her deal with Luthor in order to save the Daily Planet
- *ADVENTURES OF SUPERMAN #631 (2004):* Lois is shot and gravely wounded while covering the U.S. occupation of Umec in the Middle East

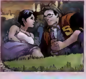
MR. MAJESTIC *While on assignment,* Superman was trapped in [illegible] Kansas, Lois [illegible] with the appearance [illegible] Mr. Majestic, *who helped restore Metropolis*

New Faces, New Challenges

Lois helped ease Kara Zor-El's transition into Earth culture, welcoming her as a member of Clark's extended family and supporting her transition into Supergirl. But Lois' ties to Superman continued to put her at risk. During the "Crisis of Conscience," members of the Secret Society of Super-Villains – all of whom had once been mind-wiped to forget the secret identities of the Justice League – temporarily regained their memories and lashed out at the League's loved ones.

Attacking the innocent [illegible] knocked [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] forgetting [illegible] Prison.

Light as a feather [illegible] they [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] pass with [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] no time [illegible]



Grounded for a Year

Lois adjusted to life with a husband who had lost his powers. Clark's trip through the heart of a red sun had stripped him of his superhuman abilities, leaving him Clark Kent full time and making him a fixture at the Daily Planet and in their Metropolis apartment. Lois began to enjoy their new, low-key lifestyle and prepared for the possibility that the change might be permanent. But in time Clark's powers came back to him. Lois unequivocally supported his return to his role as Superman, explaining that his job was one of the reasons she loved him and that she's behind him all the way.

Christopher Kent

A big change came into Lois' life when a young Kryptonian boy arrived on Earth. After Superman removed the child from government custody in the Department of Metahuman Affairs, Lois and Clark agreed to give him a relatively normal life in Metropolis as their foster son.

Batman created false documentation establishing the boy as Christopher Kent. Lois helped teach him English and immersed him in the small joys of the big city. To conceal his abilities, particularly from his teachers and classmates, Christopher wore a wristwatch that mimicked the blocking qualities of a [illegible]

Yet having a second Kryptonian in the house has brought substantial danger to Lois, particularly after the truth of Christopher's parentage became known. The boy had been born to Ursa and General Zod conceived during their exile in the Phantom Zone and raised in a floating prison where the Phantom Zone [illegible] apply. When General Zod escaped the Phantom Zone he seized his son, [illegible] a planetary takeover.

[illegible] after Zod's rampage, outer space marauders raided Earth [illegible] the lost Kryptonian city of Kandor. Their [illegible] against all Kryptonians put Lois and Christopher in peril until Superman, [illegible] Girl and Kara Wor-Ul captured [illegible] leader at the Fortress of Solitude. Despite the stakes and her [illegible], Lois is determined to protect Christopher at all costs. **RG/DW**

Raised by the enemy As the son of the [illegible] General Zod and Ursa, Christopher Kent experienced a troubled upbringing [illegible] the Phantom Zone.

LADY FLASH

FIRST APPEARANCE The Flash (2nd series) #7 (December 1987)
STATUS Villain **REAL NAME** Christina Alexandrova
OCCUPATION Assassin **BASE** Mobile
HEIGHT 6ft 1in **WEIGHT** 155 lbs **EYES** Brown **HAIR** Auburn
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Granted superspeed from a mixture of drugs and gene therapy; she also gained abnormal strength, but her wits were dulled as a result.

Christina [illegible] Blue [illegible] Soviet [illegible] product. After [illegible] defeat at the hands [illegible] the Flash, she [illegible] Savitar's slave [illegible] Wally West's [illegible] Flash [illegible] Savitar [illegible] Savitar [illegible] Wonder Woman [illegible] that might have helped her free Savitar [illegible] finally [illegible] Flash's wife Linda Park [illegible]. RG

LADY OF THE LAKE

FIRST APPEARANCE Aquaman (6th series) #1 (February 2003)
STATUS Ally **REAL NAME** Unknown
OCCUPATION Water spirit **BASE** The Secret Sea
HEIGHT 5ft 8in **WEIGHT** 127 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Blue
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Undefined magical abilities

This [illegible] has appeared to [illegible] including AQUAMAN (Arthur Curry) and King Arthur [illegible] Arthurian legend [illegible] Merlin [illegible] Aquaman [illegible] hand [illegible] the Waterbearer [illegible] the Secret Sea [illegible] Aquaman [illegible] powers from the Lake [illegible]. DW

LADY VIC

FIRST APPEARANCE NIGHTWING #4 (January 1997)
STATUS Villain **REAL NAME** Lady Elaine Marsh-Morton
OCCUPATION Assassin **BASE** England
HEIGHT 5ft 6in **WEIGHT** 135 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Blonde
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Mastery of arcane weapons and a highly trained hand-to-hand combatant

Lady Elaine Marsh-Morton [illegible] Lady Vic [illegible] Nightwing [illegible] Lady Vic [illegible] her skill with the martial weapons of her family, including [illegible] Lady Vic [illegible] Suicide Squad [illegible]. RG

LADY ZAND

FIRST APPEARANCE YOUNG JUSTICE #50 (December 2002)
STATUS Villain **REAL NAME** Unknown
OCCUPATION Ruler of Zandia **BASE** Zandia
HEIGHT 5ft 10in **WEIGHT** 156 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Brown
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Can transform into an earthen giant

A [illegible] possesses considerable [illegible] powers, Lady Zand [illegible] Zandia [illegible] Zandia's ruthless philosophy [illegible] years, Lady Zand has [illegible] Zandian [illegible] athletes [illegible] Olympic games [illegible] Lady Zand [illegible] rock and earth [illegible] the heroes of Young [illegible]. DW

LANG, LANA

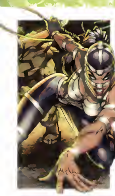
FIRST APPEARANCE SUPERBOY (1st series) #10 (October 1950)
STATUS Ally **REAL NAME** Lana Elizabeth Lang
OCCUPATION Senior business owner **BASE** Metropolis
HEIGHT 5ft 4in **WEIGHT** 127 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Red
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Lana is an average athlete but has a strong will and is fiercely loyal to those she loves

[illegible] Clark [illegible] world and [illegible] best [illegible] He asked Lana to come with him [illegible] didn't see each other for a decade [illegible] powers appeared in Metropolis [illegible] had to be Clark.

[illegible] (LUTHOR, LEX) had been trailing [illegible] and finding his old Smallville [illegible] near Clark's Metropolis apartment, he had [illegible] she had information about the [illegible] and returned to Smallville. [illegible] Lois Lane, Lana finally agreed to her [illegible] ROSS, PETE) Superman saved their [illegible] President Luthor and began to feel stifled. It was clear [illegible] feelings for each other, but neither would [illegible] it was unfair to remain [illegible] divorce. After the Infinite Crisis [illegible] LexCorp, and survived [illegible] new INSECT QUEEN. RG

CLARK and Lana [illegible] Clark [illegible] special [illegible] despite [illegible] dangers [illegible]

DOOMED *I was too comfortable with Pete R[illegible] and she loved him enough to marry. That has proven to be a false hope.*



LASHINA

First appearance MISTER MIRACLE #6 (January 1972)
Status Villain **Real name** Unknown
Occupation Warrior **Base** Apokolips
Height 6ft 6in **Weight** 225 lbs **Eyes** Blue **Hair** Black
Special powers/abilities Enhanced strength and damage resistance; wields electrically-charged whips.

[illegible] among the [illegible] Apokolips [illegible] known as the Female Furies. She is an expert [illegible] with whips [illegible] costume made of belts and straps. [illegible] Mister Miracle [illegible] DW

LEATHER

First appearance NIGHTWING #62 (December 2001)
Status Villain **Real name** Mary Kay Tanner
Occupation Criminal "coyote" **Base** Pecklnpah, Texas
Height 5ft 5in **Weight** 132 lbs **Eyes** White **Hair** Auburn
Special powers/abilities Leatherlike skin; low-level superstrength; razor-sharp claws on hands and feet; psychopathic temperament; armed with a variety of barbed whips.

[illegible] highly [illegible] Mary Kay was born with [illegible] powers that gave her leatherlike skin and claws. [illegible] the leader of a band of [illegible] smuggling [illegible] between Mexico and the US. Leather was captured [illegible] incarcerated at the women's block of the [illegible] penitentiary. However, she was [illegible] and has returned to smuggling in Mexico. [illegible]

LEGION OF SUBSTITUTE HEROES

First appearance ADVENTURE COMICS #306 (March 1963)
Status Heroes **Base** Metropolis
Members and Powers
Night Girl (Lydda Jath) Possesses superstrength in the dark. **Polar Boy (Brek Bannin)** Generates intense cold. **Chlorophyll Kid (Ral Benem)** Stimulates rapid plant growth. **Color Kid (Ulu Vakk)** Able to alter the color of any object. **Fire Lad (Staq Mavlen)** Exhales fiery breath. **Stone Boy (Dag Wentim)** Capable of turning his body to stone. **Porcupine Pete (Peter Dursin)** Projects quill-like spines at will. **Infectious Lass (Drura Sehpt)** Body hosts a variety of disease colonies. **Antenna Boy (Khfeurb Chae Bea)** Transmits and receives electronic signals via ear-antennae. **Double-Header (Dyvud/Frenk Benem)** Bickering beings sharing single body.

[illegible] the Legion of Substitute Heroes [illegible] since its formation, the Legion of Substitute Heroes has grown to include Chlorophyll Kid, Color Kid, Fire Lad, and Stone Boy. All [illegible] may not possess the most [illegible] powers, but nevertheless want to defend [illegible] the Legion of Super-Heroes. Recently, Polar Boy was selected to join the [illegible] Cadet Program in training to become a future member of the LSH. [illegible] Subs are hopeful that [illegible] SB

LEAGUE OF ASSASSINS

First appearance STRANGE ADVENTURES #215 (December 1968)
Status Villains **Base** Worldwide
Members and Powers
Ra's al Ghul Immortal; brilliant criminal mind.
Sensei (deceased) Top martial artist.
Doctor Darrk (deceased) No superhuman abilities.
Kirigi Top martial artist; League of Assassins trainer.
Merlyn (ex-member) Deadly assassin with bow and arrow.
Talia Ra's al Ghul's bewitchingly beautiful daughter.

The League of Assassins operates in secret [illegible] world. [illegible] Ra's al Ghul [illegible] DW

The legion of substitute heroes

THE LEGION OF SUPER-HEROES

TEEN DEFENDERS OF TOMORROW

FIRST APPEARANCE ADVENTURE COMICS #247 (April 1958)
STATUS Hero team
BASE Legion HQ, Earth

NOTABLE MEMBERS
- **Atom Girl (Salu Digby)** Shrinking
- **Brainiac 5 (Querl Dox)** Super-intellect
- **Colossal Boy (Gim Allon)** Giant who can shrink to human size
- **Cosmic Boy (Rokk Krinn)** Magnetism
- **Chameleon (Reep Daggle)** Shapeshifting
- **Dream Girl (Nura Nal)** Precognition
- **Dream Boy (Rol Purtha)** Precognition
- **Element Lad (Jan Arrah)** Transmutation
- **Invisible Kid (Lyle Norg)** Invisibility
- **Karate Kid (Val Armorr)** Martial artist
- **Light Lass (Ayla Ranzz)** Gravity manipulation
- **Lightning Lad (Garth Ranzz)** Electricity
- **Phantom Girl (Tinya Wazzo)** Phasing
- **Princess Projectra (Wilimena Projectra Vauxhall)** Illusion
- **Saturn Girl (Imra Ardeen)** Telepathy
- **Shadow Lass (Tasmia Mallor)** Darkforce generation
- **Star Boy (Thom Kallor)** Gravity manipulation
- **Sun Boy (Dirk Morgna)** Heat
- **Supergirl (Kara Zor-El)** Flight, super-strength, super-speed
- **Timber Wolf (Brin Londo)** Enhanced skills and senses
- **Triplicate Girl (Luornu Durgo)** Splits into three beings

Through every crisis to come in the space-time continuum, one constant is that a group of young heroes and heroines will unite to defend their homeworlds from evil. Whether inspired by the boy who would become SUPERMAN or any of the costumed champions lost to history, the Legion of Super-Heroes will be that bright ray of hope in an uncertain future.

TOGETHER [illegible] sworn to the ideals [illegible] teenaged Legionnaires stand ready to defend the United Planets.

TIMELINE REBOOTS
The Legion has undergone numerous cosmic restructurings, with every universe-shaking crisis triggering major reworkings of the Legion's history and membership. The lineup from the original timeline drew its inspiration from young Clark Kent's adventures as SUPERBOY and featured a core team of COSMIC BOY, SATURN GIRL, and LIGHTNING LAD. Over time this team swelled to include dozens of members who stood against the universe's most dire threats, including DARKSEID and the sorceress Glorith. Eventually the alien Dominators overran Earth and caused the planet's destruction. The clean-slate timeline that followed Zero Hour erased this Legion from history, replacing it with a similar lineup known for its alternate codenames ("Live Wire" for Lightning Lad) and fresh threats such as the BLIGHT. The reality warps of the Infinite Crisis brought into existence a third Legion—but the rebirth of the multiverse indicates that all previous Legions currently exist in the future timelines of parallel worlds.

PHANTOMS The [illegible] phasing abilities of Phantom Girl [illegible] romance with Mon-El, who had been trapped in the Phantom Zone for a millennium.

SUPERGIRL AND MON-EL
Kara Zor-El, the SUPERGIRL from the 21st century, traveled to the Legion's future during the Infinite Crisis. Stripped of her memory, she initially believed the entire experience to be a hallucination but soon earned her place as a revered Legionnaire. Supergirl helped bring the 20th century Daxamite hero MON-EL into the Legion. While visiting Superboy in the miniaturized Kryptonian city of Kandor, Supergirl [illegible] Mon-El's ghostly presence in the Phantom Zone, where Brainiac 5's tinkering released him from his thousand-year prison.

SUPERBOY-PRIME Maddened by power, [illegible] Mon-El [illegible] as Supergirl [illegible] destroying [illegible] headquarters [illegible] the pro

HOME SWEET HOME The Legion's headquarters on Earth is a rallying point for non-powered teenagers from all walks of life.

THE LATEST LEGION
In the current continuity following the Infinite Crisis, the Legion of Super-Heroes emerged on a 31st century Earth. Governmental surveillance had become a way of life. With parents keeping obsessive tabs on their children, a teenage rebellion sprang up centered on admiration for the colorful superheroes a thousand years prior. The headquarters of the Legion of Super-Heroes served as a beacon for thousands of disaffected teenagers, who camped outside hoping for a glimpse of their champions. BRAINIAC 5 of Colu proved the mastermind of the team, designing their flight rings and keeping tabs on trouble spots across the United Planets. Cosmic Boy, Saturn Girl, and Lightning Lad remained the heart of the Legion, with ELEMENT LAD lending the ability to transmute objects, ULTRA BOY serving as the team's powerhouse, the shapeshifting CHAMELEON excelling as a spy, and the rookie INVISIBLE KID providing a fresh perspective on the Legion's heroics. COLOSSAL BOY, a member of a race of giants from Antarctica, possessed the ability to shrink to human size and unsuccessfully petitioned for the name Micro-Lad. The United Planets wanted nothing to do with the team, and hoped to discredit them and their philosophy of non-conformity.

INTO THE FRAY Although initially classified as outlaws, the Legionnaires now work with the Science Police and are recognized by the United Planets.

KEY STORYLINES

- ***Legion of Super-Heroes* (4th series) #0 (October 1994)** The Legion is formed after Garth Ranzz, Imra Ardeen (Saturn Girl), and Rokk Krinn (Cosmic Boy) save R.J. Brande from assassins.
- ***Legion of Super-Heroes* #122–123/*Legionnaires* #79–80 (October 1999–February 2000)** In the four-part "Legion of the Damned," the LSH must face [illegible] members and whole planets enslaved by the Blight.
- ***Legion of Super-Heroes* vol. 5 #1 (December 2004)** A new Legion debuts, fighting Terrors and [illegible] while struggling with their own planet's generation gap.

THE WANDERERS

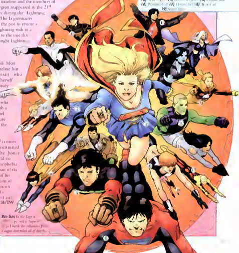
Mon-El became the latest recruit of the Wanderers, a militant super-powered team led by Mekt Ranzz (see LIGHTNING LORD), brother of siblings Lightning Lad and Light Lass (see SPARK). Originally, this seven-member squad had assembled to combat threats to the United Planets, but Mekt rebuilt the team following a crushing defeat at the hands of the Dominators, making the extermination of the Dominators his top priority. Mekt tried to recruit many Legionnaires, but considered the Legion names ineffectual leaders that would only get in the way of his war. When the Dominators attacked Earth with genetically modified warriors, the Legion and the Wanderers united to end the threat. The war ended with the [illegible] and apparent destruction of the Dominators' [illegible] realize the planet had merely been shunted to the Phantom Zone, but Element Boy took the blame for the seeming genocide and dropped out of sight. Supergirl became Legion leader in his absence, but soon returned to the 21st century.

SHOCKING RETURN [illegible]

THE LIGHTNING SAGA

After the Infinite Crisis, the original Legion lineup reasserted itself in Superman's life. The Legion's adventures with young Clark Kent returned to the timeline and the members of this Legion reappeared in the 21st century during the "Lightning Saga." The Legionnaires had come to the past to restore a hero using lightning rods in a ritual similar to the one that had once brought Lightning Lad back from the dead. After allying with the Justice League and the Justice Society, the Legionnaires succeeded in bringing back Wally West, the third Flash. Most Legionnaires returned to their own timeline, but KARATE KID and Triplicate Girl (*see* TRIAD)—who had lost her duplicates and now called herself "Una"—undertook their own 21st century adventure and discovered a new strain of the OMAC virus. Karate Kid and Una later met Supergirl, who had returned from the 31st century with a different version of the Legion. Supergirl recognized these Legionnaires as alternate versions of the ones she had known in the future, proving that *both* versions of the Legion now existed in the multiverse. Superman traveled to this Legion's 31st century where the planet's inhabitants were indoctrinated with anti-alien beliefs. Earth-Man led the Justice League of Earth. With the human world no longer in the United Planets due to xenophobia, its inhabitants believed that the Superman of the 21st century was human and the tales of his Kryptonian heritage were lies. The Legion of Super-Heroes persecuted in this new society went underground. Superman helped the [illegible] and [illegible] SB/DW

THE LEGION OF SUPER-HEROES
1) Supergirl **2)** Brainiac 5 **3)** [illegible] **4)** [illegible] **5)** Karate Kid **6)** Light Lass **7)** [illegible] **8)** Lightning Lad **9)** Sun Boy **10)** [illegible] **11)** [illegible] **12)** Timber Wolf **13)** [illegible] **14)** [illegible] **15)** Invisible Kid **16)** [illegible] **17)** [illegible] **18)** [illegible] **19)** [illegible]



RED SUN In the Legion [illegible] Superman [illegible] battle the villainous Justice League that ruled all of Earth.

LEMARIS, LORI

FIRST APPEARANCE SUPERMAN (1st series) #129 (May 1959)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Lori Lemaris
OCCUPATION Scientist **BASE** Metropolis
HEIGHT 5ft 9in **WEIGHT** 243 lbs (with tail) **EYES** Brown **HAIR** Brown
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES An actual mermaid, can communicate telepathically and breathe underwater; grows legs when on land.

UNDERWATER LOVE *Before [illegible] Lane, [illegible] won the heart of the Man of Steel.*

A [illegible] belonging to the undersea realm [illegible] Lori [illegible] began a relationship with Clark Kent [illegible] both attended Metropolis University. Lori [illegible] tail beneath a blanket and moved about in a wheel[illegible]. Eventually SUPERMAN discovered the truth, but [illegible] [illegible] mate with her people, marrying the merman [illegible] Ronal after he nursed her back to health following [illegible] injury. Contrary to some reports, Lori Lemaris [illegible] encounter with the Anti-Monitor's shadow demons during the CRISIS (see Great Battles, pp. 362–3). Later, Ronal's [illegible] enabled her to grow legs on land. She [illegible] live in Metropolis and was a bridesmaid at Clark [illegible] Lois's wedding (see LANE, LOIS). Lori was [illegible] Justice League of Atlantis during the JUSTICE LEAGUE OF AMERICA's struggle against the Advance Man. DW

LEVIATHAN

FIRST APPEARANCE LEGIONNAIRES #0 (April 1993)
STATUS Hero (deceased) **REAL NAME** Gim Allon
OCCUPATION Legionnaire **BASE** Legion World
HEIGHT 6ft 2in **WEIGHT** 200 lbs **EYES** Brown **HAIR** Brown
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Could increase his size and mass at will up to a height of 30ft.

In [illegible] timeline the LEGION OF SUPER-HEROES [illegible] known as Leviathan, Gim Allon [illegible] first [illegible] at Mars [illegible] from the Science Police Academy. During a high-speed pursuit of a suspect, an accident involving [illegible] meteorite gave him the ability to become a giant at will. The government of Mars named him the Martian representative to the LEGION OF SUPER-HEROES, [illegible] he took the code name Leviathan.

The United Planets appointed Allon as team leader [illegible] after a disastrous mission that resulted in the death of [illegible] Quantum (see KID QUANTUM I & II). [illegible] Brainiac 5 and became deputy leader [illegible] teammate SHRINKING VIOLET became possessed by the omnipotent Emerald Eye, Leviathan sacrificed his life to defeat the evil Doctor Regulus. He received a hero's funeral on Shanghalla.

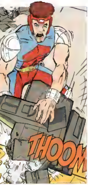
In an alternate Legion timeline, Gim Allon is a member of [illegible] Atlantic giants who has the ability to shrink [illegible] grow. He goes by the name Colossal Boy [illegible] he protests that "Micro Lad" is more accurate. DW

GOLIATH [illegible] target while a giant, Leviathan's [illegible] strength made him virtually unstoppable.

LIBERTY BELLE

FIRST APPEARANCE BOY COMMANDOS #1 (Winter 1942)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Libby Belle Lawrence
OCCUPATION Journalist, broadcaster **BASE** New York City
HEIGHT 5ft 6in **WEIGHT** 140 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** White (was blonde)
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Can project sonic blasts from her hands; gains superstrength when the Liberty Bell is rung.

Libby Lawrence is the descendant of [illegible] Revolutionary War [illegible] Miss Liberty. [illegible] athlete in school [illegible] war [illegible] [illegible] Nazi [illegible] Poland. Libby [illegible] by swimming the English Channel, becoming [illegible] international celebrity. Libby [illegible] superpowers through a [illegible] the Liberty Bell and became Liberty Belle, [illegible] member of the ALL-STAR SQUADRON. [illegible] [illegible] Nazi [illegible] [illegible] Belle [illegible] powers. [illegible] Johnny Thunder [illegible] daughter Jesse [illegible] Jesse [illegible] following the Infinite Crisis [illegible] JUSTICE SOCIETY OF AMERICA [illegible] Rick Tyler (Hourman II). P[illegible]



LIGHTNING LORD

FIRST APPEARANCE SUPERMAN (1st series) #147 (August 1961)
STATUS Villain **REAL NAME** Mekt Ranzz
OCCUPATION Super-villain **BASE** Winath
HEIGHT 5ft 11in **WEIGHT** 167 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** White
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Absorbs electricity and projects bolts of lightning of huge destructive power.

In [illegible] Mekt Ranzz and his younger [illegible] twins Garth and Ayla were attacked by [illegible] beasts after crashing on the planet Korbal. The [illegible] all three were altered by the electrical [illegible] generated by the beasts, enabling them [illegible] powerful lightning blasts. Garth and Ayla [illegible] members of the LEGION OF SUPER-HEROES [illegible] Mekt used his powers for thievery and murder as Lightning Lord. In one alternate Legion [illegible] Lightning Lord, Cosmic King, and Saturn [illegible] molded young Bruce Wayne and Clark Kent into [illegible] dictators. In another, Mekt Ranzz does not [illegible] [illegible] SB

LIGHTRAY

FIRST APPEARANCE NEW GODS [illegible]
STATUS Hero (deceased) **REAL NAME** Sol[illegible]
OCCUPATION New God **BASE** New Genesis
HEIGHT 6ft **WEIGHT** 181 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Red
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Can fly and harness all the various frequencies of the light spectrum, using its radiation to either temporarily blind opponents or to punch through objects; a super-strong, agile combatant; maintains a cheerful outlook on life.

Solis grew up a happy child on the planet New Genesis. [illegible] Orion, son of DARKSEID, [illegible] also came to grow up on the planet. [illegible] One day while [illegible] they found a pit where soldiers from Apokolips were massing for an assault. No ordinary soldiers, they had been turned into living masses of light. Solis was spotted and pelted with solar [illegible]. The scientific genius Metron [illegible] summoned help, and arrived to find Solis in a coma.

After many months Metron successfully revived the boy, who had absorbed all the radiation and was [illegible] changed, imbued with new [illegible]. Solis eventually mastered [illegible] powers, renaming himself [illegible] Lightray was the first to [illegible] the Death of the New Gods [illegible] Metropolis on the [illegible] [illegible] RG

LILITH

FIRST APPEARANCE TEEN TITANS #25 (January/February 1970)
STATUS Hero (deceased) **REAL NAME** Lilith Clay
OCCUPATION Adventurer **BASE** New York City
HEIGHT 5ft 5in **WEIGHT** 104 lbs **EYES** Green **HAIR** Red
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Telepathy, precognition.

Lilith Clay is a fallen TEEN TITAN, having served with the team during several of its most turbulent [illegible] a [illegible] [illegible]. Possessing vast mental [illegible] including telepathy and [illegible], Lilith joined the Titans while still an adolescent and helped [illegible] original splinter team Titans West. [illegible] Lilith helped her purge the demonic [illegible] of her teammate RAVEN. Later a [illegible] Lilith [illegible] then [illegible] under the [illegible] Omen. She also helped found the villainous [illegible] under orders from VANDAL SAVAGE but sabotaged his efforts by selecting members with warring [illegible] that soon led to the team's break-up. When the [illegible] arrived from the future to attack the Titans and YOUNG JUSTICE, Lilith and Donna Troy (see DONNA TROY) died at the hands of a renegade Superman robot. Although Donna Troy has [illegible], Lilith is memorialized with a statue at Titans Tower in San Francisco. **DW**

LIONHEART

FIRST APPEARANCE JUSTICE LEAGUE INTERNATIONAL ANNUAL #4 1993
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Richard Plante
OCCUPATION Government operative **BASE** London, England
HEIGHT 6ft 1in **WEIGHT** 186 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Black
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Advanced armor enhances strength and permits flight; wields energy sword and shield.

A former union dockworker, Richard Plante's [illegible] loyalty to his native United Kingdom made him an ideal recruit to defend England as a government operative. Clad in advanced armor and wielding a blazing energy sword, Plante—a direct descendant of King Richard [illegible] dubbed himself Lionheart after his namesake. Allied with Justice League International (see JUSTICE LEAGUE OF AMERICA), Lionheart battled modern [illegible] dragons in the form of alien parasites [illegible] across the globe. Lionheart [illegible] the U.K. **SB**

KNIGHT IN SHINING ARMOR

LINEAR MEN

FIRST APPEARANCE Adventures of Superman #476 (March 1991)
STATUS Hero team **BASE** Vanishing Point
CURRENT MEMBERS AND POWERS
Dr. Matthew Ryder (leader) Scientific genius
Dr. Rip Hunter Time-travel inventor
Liri Lee Chronal archivist
Travis O'Connell (deceased) Adventurer
Waverider (Matthew Ryder from an alternate timeline) Possesses the ability to freely travel the timestream and pinpoint chronal anomalies.

The Linear Men are [illegible] try to keep the past [illegible] [illegible] traveler [illegible] Ryder discovered the Vanishing [illegible] realm outside of [illegible] the Linear Men now maintain their [illegible]. Due to the physical stresses of time travel [illegible] the Linear Men's bodies have been replaced with cyborg limbs. The Linear Men played a key role in the [illegible] revealing the existence of a "hypertime" containing all possible alternate timestreams. After SUPERMAN defeated IMPERIEX by sending him back to the Big Bang, the Linear Men attempted to have the Man of Steel tried for crimes against the timeline. They now appear to have shunned their physical forms and appear only as manifestations of the intellect. **DW**

LITTLE BOY BLUE AND THE BLUE BOYS

FIRST APPEARANCE SENSATION COMICS #1 (1942)
STATUS Hero team **REAL NAMES** Tommy Rogers, "Tubby" Herbert "Toughy" Simms, Little Miss Redhead
BASE Radiance, Pennsylvania
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Quick wits, good humor, and fast fists.

Frustrated by Wolf Lupo's crime wave in Big City, youngsters Tommy Rogers, "Tubby," and Herbert "Toughy" Simms took matters into their own hands as Little Boy Blue and the Blue Boys. They continued to have lighthearted adventures thwarting all manner of criminals during the 1940s. At one point, a mysterious girl known as Little Miss Redhead arrived to fight crime beside them [illegible] [illegible] and baby. Decades later [illegible] mayor and [illegible] the sheriff. When [illegible] discovered [illegible] [illegible] and learned [illegible] explain the [illegible] were inspired. [illegible] his fascination with radios while Tubby's [illegible] [illegible] dubbed "Slats." [illegible] came [illegible] to plunder it and the boys saw an opportunity to help. The hapless criminal was soundly defeated by the [illegible]. A new Boy Blue appeared as part of VIGILANTE'S [illegible] that fought the Shreda. **RG**

LIGHTNING LAD

HIGHLY-CHARGED HERO

FIRST APPEARANCE OMEGA MEN #3 (June 1983)
STATUS Villain **REAL NAME** Unpronounceable
OCCUPATION Contract killer, bounty hunter **BASE** Mobile
HEIGHT 7ft 6in **WEIGHT** 640 lbs **EYES** Red **HAIR** Black
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Vast superstrength and near invulnerability; superspeed and superhuman endurance; fantastic leaping ability; tracking ability allows him to trace prey across galaxies; can survive unaided in the vacuum of space; unparalleled brawler; can replicate himself into an army of clones.

GARTH RANZZ OF WINATH is Lightning Lad, a [illegible] member of the LEGION OF SUPER-HEROES in [illegible] of the Legion [illegible] arisen throughout the timeline [illegible] on Winath and both Garth and [illegible] Ayla [illegible] have superpowers. Garth can generate bolts of electricity and Ayla can manipulate gravity (and has possessed electrical abilities in other timelines). Their older brother Mekt (as LIGHTNING LORD) has abilities similar to Garth's, but his status as a single birth caused others to view him with suspicion and hostility. Mekt joined the United Planets as a covert commando and later assembled the WANDERERS to battle the alien Dominators.

HOTHEAD [illegible]

FAMILY TIES The Ranzz [illegible] have all [illegible] adventures with Ayla manipulating gravity as Light Lass and Mekt heading up the [illegible]

MAKING HIS MARK

Garth [illegible] Ayla [illegible] the more [illegible] Legion [illegible] organization alongside Cosmic Boy and Saturn [illegible] Legion [illegible] for personal freedom on a repressive Earth [illegible] frowned on uniqueness. As Lightning Lad [illegible] the Legion [illegible] powerful [illegible] the [illegible] and [illegible] his own brother who [illegible] the Legion as [illegible] meddlers and Mekt [illegible] to fight off a Dominator invasion of Earth [illegible] Lightning Lad took over as Legion leader following [illegible] return to the [illegible] His immaturity and short attention span led to problems as he [illegible] to keep track of Legionnaire [illegible] while dealing with the demands [illegible] United Planets, who now enjoyed a formal relationship with the Legion [illegible] heart kept him on track, as did the love of occasional girlfriend [illegible]

[illegible] version of Lightning Lad appeared in the mainstream [illegible] during the events of the "Lightning Saga," in which the [illegible] traveled to the 21st century to rescue a lost hero (Wally [illegible] third FLASH). This Lightning Lad had previously died and [illegible] a resurrection via energy channeled through lightning [illegible] used to bring back the Flash. Superman later traveled [illegible] century to visit the Legion later in their history when [illegible] had turned red and its citizens had grown fearful and [illegible]

[illegible] of Garth Ranzz went by the code name Live Wire [illegible] he died battling an insane [illegible] Element Lad's crystalline body. DW

IN CHARGE Serving Lightning Lad [illegible] chairman [illegible] of power and new [illegible] and [illegible]

DOMINATOR INVASION [illegible]

KEY STORYLINE

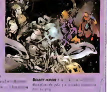
- ***ADVENTURE COMICS* #312 (SEPTEMBER 1962)** In this classic story, Lightning Lad is apparently resurrected from the dead by his teammates. Decades later this tale provided the foundation for *Justice League of America*'s "The Lightning Saga."

LOBO

FIRST APPEARANCE OMEGA MEN [illegible] 1983)
STATUS Villain **REAL NAME** Unpronounceable
OCCUPATION Contract killer, bounty hunter **BASE** Mobile
HEIGHT 7ft 6in **WEIGHT** 640 lbs **EYES** Red **HAIR** black
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Vast superstrength and near invulnerability; superspeed and superhuman endurance; fantastic leaping ability; tracking ability allows him to trace prey across galaxies; can survive unaided in the vacuum of space; unparalleled brawler; can replicate himself into an army of clones.

HIS UNPRONOUNCEABLE REAL NAME roughly [illegible] he who devours [illegible] entrails [illegible] thoroughly enjoys it." Once Lobo has [illegible] a [illegible] that person has little hope [illegible] and even less of surviving [illegible] the only way to destroy Lobo is to vaporize every [illegible] him, down to the last cell! Lobo loves his work and cares little for payment. When not pursuing prey he keeps in practice by picking fights wherever he goes, marauding around the cosmos like a deep space Hell's Angel on his intergalactic cycle, the *Hog*. With his uncanny ability to sense an opponent's physical and mental [illegible] Lobo is almost as notorious [illegible] brawler as he is a killer for hire.

BORN TO BE WILD



BOUNTY HUNTER [illegible]

BAD TO THE BONE Lobo [illegible] his share of [illegible] and [illegible] probably to [illegible]

A ONE-MAN ARMY

WHR-RRUNG-CHH!

Lobo [illegible] planet [illegible] was trouble as soon as he was born [illegible] his midwife's fingers [illegible] scalpel and [illegible] As a [illegible] he killed [illegible] Finally he committed global [illegible] that slaughtered [illegible] Lobo [illegible] of blood [illegible] corpses in his wake. [illegible] adopted [illegible]

At length after helping the Omega Men vanquish [illegible] Spider Guild and the [illegible] Lobo [illegible] Earth and began challenging its greatest [illegible] SUPERMAN, WONDER WOMAN of the JUSTICE LEAGUE [illegible] America [illegible] battles [illegible] the Main Man [illegible] with the [illegible] police [illegible] along with their [illegible] [illegible]

[illegible] to get [illegible] Lobo [illegible] while [illegible] in Apokolips during the [illegible] War [illegible] A Lobo [illegible] from [illegible] Justice [illegible] called himself [illegible] Lobo and was condemned [illegible] death in the [illegible] Darkseid while trying [illegible] his [illegible] from the [illegible] clutches [illegible] of Lobo's many [illegible] however [illegible] his brand of [illegible] across the [illegible]

INDESTRUCTIBLE Lobo [illegible] physical attack

KEY STORYLINE
- *LOBO'S BACK #1-4 (MAY–AUGUST 1992)* Heaven doesn't want him, and Hell certainly doesn't either. Lobo rampages through the afterlife after being hacked to pieces by a rival hunter.

LASSOED! *Lobo* [illegible] *the Olympian Gods* [illegible] *against* [illegible] *After* [illegible] *Wonder Woman!*

LITTLE MERMAID

FIRST APPEARANCE SUPER FRIENDS #9 (December 1997)
STATUS Hero (deceased) **REAL NAME** Ulla Paske
OCCUPATION Adventurer **BASE** Denmark
HEIGHT 5ft 4in **WEIGHT** 120 lbs **EYES** Crystal blue **HAIR** Blonde
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Could transform her legs into a fishtail and breathe underwater

The Little Mermaid was [illegible]

The Little Mermaid [illegible] PJ

FISHY TALE [illegible]

LOBO SEE OPPOSITE PAGE

LOCK UP

FIRST APPEARANCE ROBIN #24 (January 1996)
STATUS Villain **REAL NAME** Lyle Bolton
OCCUPATION Vigilante jailer **BASE** Gotham City
HEIGHT 6ft 2in **WEIGHT** 235 lbs **EYES** Brown **HAIR** Black
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Skilled combatant; expert on penitentiaries and locks

[illegible] DW

LODESTONE II

FIRST APPEARANCE DOOM PATROL (2nd series) #3 (December 1987)
STATUS Hero (blown away) **REAL NAME** Rhea Jones
OCCUPATION Adventurer **BASE** Kansas City
HEIGHT 5ft 6in **WEIGHT** 144 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Red
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Used her magnetic abilities to fly, create force fields, and attract or repel metallic objects

[illegible] RG

LIVE WIRE

FIRST APPEARANCE ADVENTURE COMICS #247 (April 1958)
Legion of Super-Heroes (4th series) #0 (October 1994)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Garth Ranzz **OCCUPATION** Legionnaire **BASE** Legion World **HEIGHT** 5ft 10in **WEIGHT** 145 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Red
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Able to absorb and generate electricity to project crackling lightning bolts.

Live W[illegible]. He received the ability [illegible] Ayla and his older brother Mekt [illegible] of lightning beasts on Korbal. [illegible] and two other teens saved rich industrialist R. J. Brande (see BRANDE, R. J.) from assassination. He then teamed as Live Wire, COSMIC BOY and SATURN GIRL, and so the Legion of Super-Heroes was founded. When his sister Ayla (nicknamed SPARK) replaced him on the Legion, Live Wire temporarily joined Leland McCauley's competing Workforce. He later found his brother Mekt, who had used his electric abilities to unleash terror under the name LIGHTNING LORD. In the battle with Mekt, Live Wire lost an arm. He wore a prosthesis after that. Live Wire rejoined the Legion, becoming acting leader when Cosmic Boy went back to the late 20th century. He had been in love with Saturn Girl for many years and at last expressed it. When several lost Legionnaires were caught in another galaxy, he sacrificed himself to stop ELEMENT LAD and send his teammates home. In his memory, his sister Spark briefly adopted the identity of Live Wire II. Live Wire has returned to life. His consciousness and memories have been imprinted on the crystalline body of Element Lad, but it is unsure whether he will return to his former appearance and powers. DW

LONAR

FIRST APPEARANCE FOREVER PEOPLE #5 (November 1971)
STATUS Hero (deceased) **REAL NAME** Lonar
OCCUPATION New God **BASE** New Genesis
HEIGHT 6ft 7in **WEIGHT** 265 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Black
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES A consummate soldier; immensely strong and disciplined; rides a winged horse into battle

[illegible] RG/DW

LOOKER

FIRST APPEARANCE BATMAN AND THE OUTSIDERS #25 (Sept. 1985)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Emily "Lia" Briggs
OCCUPATION Model, talk show host **BASE** Los Angeles
HEIGHT 5ft 9in **WEIGHT** 210 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Red
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Vampire strength and intangibility; psionic abilities include levitation, telekinesis, telepathy and mental blasts

[illegible] Briggs began life as [illegible] but got her wish when [illegible] to the underground [illegible] Abuna [illegible] the [illegible] powers [illegible]. She managed [illegible] underw[illegible] BATMAN and the OUTSIDERS [illegible] named [illegible] herself Looker.

After [illegible] Batman [illegible] Looker [illegible] with the Abuna [illegible] breathtaking [illegible] Markov [illegible] with a vampire [illegible] herself. Looker remained [illegible] supervillains during the [illegible] Battle of Metropolis and [illegible] to the event called WORLD WAR III. DW

LORD CHAOS

FIRST APPEARANCE NEW TITANS ANNUAL #7 (1991)
STATUS God (eradicated) **REAL NAME** Inapplicable
OCCUPATION Dictator **BASE** Earth in an alternate timeline
HEIGHT 6ft 2in **WEIGHT** 196 lbs **EYES** Black **HAIR** Red-gold
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Godlike strength; flight; could project fire or darkness, create floods and earthquakes, read minds, alter memories

In the future [illegible] Lord Chaos was the child of Donna Troy, the Titan known as TROIA. He inherited from his mother the godlike powers of the TITANS OF MYTH. As soon as he was born he magically grew to adulthood and killed his parents. Taking the name Lord Chaos, he took control of Earth and annihilated [illegible] of its heroes. A group of rebels called the Team Titans went back in time to kill Donna Troy before she could give birth to Lord Chaos. [illegible] traveled back to stop the assassination. The Titans of Myth arrived and stripped Lord Chaos of his powers, ending his reign of terror. Soon after, [illegible] Zero Hour [illegible] Battles pp. 362-3), the future [illegible] and the [illegible] PJ

TOTAL CHAOS [illegible]

LORD HAVOK

FIRST APPEARANCE JUSTICE LEAGUE INTERNATIONAL #1 (Nov. 1987)
STATUS Villain (missing or deceased) **REAL NAME** Unknown
OCCUPATION Super-villain **BASE** Earth 8
HEIGHT 6ft 2in **WEIGHT** 185 lbs **EYES** Brown **HAIR** Brown
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES (Lord Havok I) computer mind, indestructible armor; (Lord Havok II) controlled any machine; telekinetic abilities

Many versions of Lord Havok have appeared due to changes in the timestream. The first led the EXTREMISTS, [illegible] robot super-villains. The Extremists seized control of their world's nuclear arsenal and wiped out every soul including themselves, except for genius Mitch Wacky. The Extremists came to Earth where their plot for planetary conquest was thwarted by Justice League Europe (see JUSTICE LEAGUE OF AMERICA). The bodies of Lord Havok and the other Extremists except DREAMSLAYER were placed in a museum. Dreamslayer's essence forced businessman Maxwell Lord to hypnotize the FLASH and Wacky into reanimating Lord Havok. The robot was killed by BLUE BEETLE II.

Later, Maxwell Lord died from brain cancer and was resurrected by the alien Kilg%re to become an all-new Lord Havok. The newest Lord Havok emerged on Earth 8, where he led the Extremists in a global fight against [illegible] superhuman regime. M[illegible] the Extremists [illegible] Lord Havok [illegible]. The [illegible] were [illegible] the universe [illegible] Earth-51. SB

ROCK 'EM SOCK 'EM [illegible]

LOOSE CANNON

FIRST APPEARANCE ACTION COMICS ANNUAL #5 (1995)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Eddie Walker
OCCUPATION Former homicide detective **BASE** Metropolis
HEIGHT (Eddie) 5ft 10in; (Loose Cannon) 7ft 5in
WEIGHT (Eddie) 170 lbs; (Loose Cannon) 725 lbs
EYES (Eddie) Brown; (Loose Cannon) white
HAIR (Eddie) Brown; (Loose Cannon) yellow
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Transforms into super-strong blue monster in the absence of sunlight

Eddie Walker was a homicide detective working [illegible] of Metropolis's Special Crimes Unit, formed to deal with anything from human crime to alien invaders. [illegible] by Maggie Sawyer, Walker became known as the department's volatile "loose cannon." Tragedy struck when Eddie was crippled in a car accident. Suffering from deep depression, he considered [illegible]. Meanwhile, a group of alien parasites landed on Earth and proceeded to drain the spinal fluids from a host of victims. [illegible] these parasites attacked Eddie, but instead of dying, the crippled detective discovered that he could transform himself into a superhuman giant. Styling himself Loose Cannon, Eddie teamed up with the JUSTICE LEAGUE OF AMERICA and several other heroes [illegible] destroy the alien parasites. Loose Cannon [illegible] the Infinite Crisis but later fell prey to organ thieves who harvested his super-powered heart. PJ

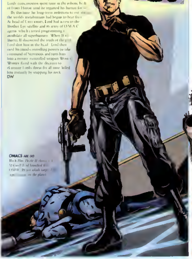
LORD, MAXWELL

FIRST APPEARANCE JUSTICE LEAGUE INTERNATIONAL #1 (May 1987)
STATUS Villain (deceased) **REAL NAME** Maxwell Lord
OCCUPATION Criminal mastermind **BASE** Mobile
HEIGHT 6ft 2in **WEIGHT** 185 lbs **EYES** Brown **HAIR** Brown
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Brilliant strategic mind; telepathic control of others

Maxwell Lord was the billionaire who financed the JUSTICE LEAGUE OF AMERICA during the period when it was most commonly known as the Justice League International. The explosion of a "gene bomb" during an alien invasion triggered Lord's ability to control the minds of others. He continued as the League's behind-the-scenes leader until killed by a brain tumor. Lord's consciousness spent time in the robotic body of LORD HAVOK until he regained his human form.

By this time, his long-term ambitions to exterminate the world's metahumans had begun to bear fruit. As head of CHECKMATE, Lord had access to the Brother Eye satellite and its army of O.M.A.C. agents, which carried programming to annihilate all superhumans. When BLUE BEETLE II discovered the truth of the plot, Lord shot him in the head. Lord then used his mind-controlling powers to take command of SUPERMAN and turn him into a remote-controlled weapon. WONDER WOMAN, faced with the decision to eliminate Lord's threat for all time, killed him instantly by snapping his neck.
DW

ACCEPTABLE LOSS
[illegible] killed Maxwell Lord [illegible] control of Superman, the Man of Steel did not agree with the severity of her actions.



OMACS ARE GO
[illegible] Blue Beetle II [illegible] Maxwell Lord launched the OMAC Project, which targeted [illegible] on the planet.

LORD OF TIME

FIRST APPEARANCE JUSTICE LEAGUE OF AMERICA (1st series) #10 (March 1962)
STATUS Villain **REAL NAME** Unrevealed **OCCUPATION** Would-be conqueror **BASE** Mobile **HEIGHT** 5ft 9in **WEIGHT** 159 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Black **SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES** Access to the timestream through Chrono-cube; armor assimilates weaponry from any era visited.

[illegible] the year 3786, the [illegible] attacked the Justice League of America [illegible] RG

AGELESS ARMOR
[illegible] Lord of Time [illegible] powerful [illegible] Superman.

LORING, JEAN

FIRST APPEARANCE SHOWCASE #34 (September–October 1961)
STATUS Villain **REAL NAME** Jean Loring
OCCUPATION God of Vengeance **BASE** Mobile
HEIGHT 5ft 8in **WEIGHT** 130 lbs **EYES** Green **HAIR** Black
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES None in normal form; as Eclipso possesses flight, invulnerability, super-strength, and vast magical powers.

Jean Loring was once a wealthy attorney and the wife of Ray Palmer, the second ATOM. The two divorced not long into their marriage, and Loring continued her law career in Ivy Town until suffering a complete mental collapse. [illegible] her marriage to Ray [illegible] killing the loved ones of the members of the JUSTICE LEAGUE OF AMERICA. She murdered ELONGATED MAN's wife Sue Dibny. When [illegible] became known Loring served a term in [illegible] until infected by the spirit of [illegible]. Now Eclipso's human host, Loring [illegible] the SPECTRE into killing hundreds of Earth's [illegible], bringing about an end to the Ninth Age of Magic. The SHADOWPACT fought the Spectre and sent Loring into orbit around the sun, but she returned still armed with the powers of Eclipso. After fighting BLUE BEETLE III and DOCTOR THIRTEEN she attempted to corrupt MARY MARVEL, only to be thwarted by the purity of Mary's spirit. DW

LOSERS, THE

FIRST APPEARANCE G.I. COMBAT #138 (November 1969)
STATUS Hero team **BASE** Europe and Asia during World War II
MEMBERS AND SPECIAL POWERS
CAPTAIN STORM (DECEASED) Indomitable will; a natural leader.
GUNNER Commando skills; expert marksman.
JOHNNY CLOUD (DECEASED) One of the greatest fighter pilots of World War II.
ONA (DECEASED) Expert markswoman.
POOCH (DECEASED) Specially trained military dog.
SARGE (DECEASED) Commando skills; expert marksman.

CRISIS IN TIME *In [illegible] reality of [illegible] the Losers came face to face with [illegible] Demons out to destroy the universe [illegible] succumbed to [illegible] explosive presence [illegible] time was mended [illegible]*

The Losers [illegible] World War II, [illegible] had suffered serious failures [illegible] military careers. CAPTAIN STORM's [illegible] command had been sunk [illegible] submarine, [illegible] Johnny Cloud [illegible] had been killed [illegible] of raw recruits, [illegible] GUNNER AND SARGE had been [illegible] their first patrol [illegible] (see HAUNTED TANK) [illegible] to help him [illegible] under cover, the four men [illegible] united by the Military [illegible] as a special task force [illegible] a fifth member, a [illegible] woman named Ona, the unit [illegible] throughout Europe [illegible] shaking their self [illegible] "Losers." Tragically all [illegible] K-9 sidekick, Pooch, [illegible] during the final days of [illegible] II, but decades later Gunner was [illegible] Project M and recruited for [illegible]. PJ

LUMP

FIRST APPEARANCE MISTER MIRACLE (1st series) #7 (April 1972)
STATUS Villain **REAL NAME** None
OCCUPATION Warrior **BASE** Apokolips
HEIGHT 7ft **WEIGHT** 500 lbs **EYES** White **HAIR** None
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Can mold his misshapen body into any form he imagines to defeat opponents psyche-merged with him.

[illegible] GRANNY GOODNESS [illegible] Apokolips [illegible] X-Section Zero [illegible] MISTER MIRACLE first [illegible] a mound of bulk [illegible] formed the [illegible] DARKSEID [illegible] Mister Miracle [illegible] the Lump [illegible] Mister Miracle [illegible] the Lump [illegible] the Lump [illegible] Section Zero [illegible]. SB

LYNX

FIRST APPEARANCE ROBIN (1st series) #1 (November 1990)
STATUS Villain (deceased) **REAL NAME** Lyng
OCCUPATION Assassin; gang boss **BASE** Gotham City
HEIGHT 5ft 2in **WEIGHT** 119 lbs **EYES** Black **HAIR** Black
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES One of the most formidable martial artists alive today; a courageous but ruthless killer.

Escaping from [illegible], China, a young girl known only as Lynx begged for food on the streets of Marseilles. An adept thief, Lynx was recruited by Sir Edmund Dorrance, the drug baron known as KING SNAKE, to join his Ghost Dragon gang. When she was defeated by the third ROBIN, King Snake punished Lynx [illegible] by taking her left eye. [illegible] Robin and King Snake. Lynx [illegible] Gotham City's Chinatown and won control of the Dragons from King Snake. Lynx has since clashed with BATMAN, ROBIN [illegible] upon the Dark Knight in the aftermath of the Gotham earthquake, taking [illegible] a Chinatown gang using slaves to [illegible] chemicals for the crippled [illegible] fight with Cassandra Cain (BATGIRL), Lynx [illegible]. RG

LUTHOR, LEX

SUPERMAN'S GREATEST ENEMY

First Appearance [illegible]
Real Name Alexander [illegible]
Base Metropolis, [illegible]
Height 6ft 2in **Weight** [illegible] **Eyes** [illegible] **Hair** [illegible]
Occupation Mastermind
Special Powers/Abilities [illegible]

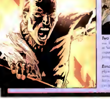
LEX LUTHOR MAY BE the most gifted man alive but rather than use his supreme intellect and skills for the betterment of mankind, the sociopath has continually sought power and influence without regard for the pain and suffering he causes. The gifts are also wasted on his single-minded hatred of a more pure and noble man, especially given his alien origins.

EVIL GENIUS *Luthor's only attempts to kill Superman all failed.*

EVIL AND ALIENATED

One glance at Luthor's IQ test results convinced his parents that their little genius would make them rich. They [illegible] determined he should [illegible] their soul-destroying "guidance" bred a sociopath who engineered their deaths to capitalize on their life insurance. A budding astrobiologist, Lex then spent years searching for evidence of extraterrestrial life. His hunt took him to Smallville when he was 18. Lex befriended another seemingly alienated young man, Clark Kent. He turned his back on Smallville when a fire destroyed his lab and his scientific achievements as well as his foster father. Refusing to take any responsibility for the accident, Lex blamed the town for "letting the Luthors burn" and to this day refuses to admit he has ever set foot in Smallville.

ONLY THE LONELY *Deprived of a normal childhood, Lex hid his personal pain behind a mask of arrogance.*



TWO STRANGERS *Clark was the only person in Smallville* [illegible] *feeling of isolation.*

EXPLOSION *The accident physically and mentally scarred Lex* [illegible]

THE RISE OF LUTHOR

Years later, Lex appeared in Metropolis and built his technology company, LexCorp, into a powerhouse. Financial success led to political power, and he was considered the city's most powerful figure. Then came the day that SUPERMAN appeared in the skies above Metropolis and turned Lex's world upside down. Superman openly accused Luthor of being a criminal mastermind rather than a benefactor of mankind. Unwilling or unable to link this "meddling alien" with the boy he had known a decade earlier, Luthor swore to bring down the Last Son of Krypton. Over the years, he has used his power and influence to plague the Man of Steel time and again.

KRYPTONITE RING

Luthor got in his licks but continued to be thwarted by Superman both directly and indirectly. On one occasion, a ring Luthor had fashioned from kryptonite gave him cancer owing to the radiation inherent in the alien rock. Lex faked his death, and transferred his mind into the body of a clone, pretending to be Luthor's heretofore unknown son. This Luthor soon evolved to resemble the original, but continued to come second in his struggles with Superman.

IN RUINS *Luthor destroyed Metropolis in a bid to avoid exposure by Lois Lane.*

METROPOLIS DESTROYED

Lex showed his true colors by refusing to sacrifice himself to help reignite the sun after the Sun-Eater had snuffed out its energy. When Lois Lane (*see* LANE, LOIS) exposed his criminal dealings, Luthor triggered devices hidden within Metropolis that destroyed the city. Superman and his fellow heroes rebuilt Metropolis and the battle between Superman and Luthor continued. His manipulations extended to Metropolis's citizens, who sided with Superman over Luthor.

Clash of wills *Perry White and Luther never got along and it clashed when Luther came to own Perry's beloved Daily Planet.*

Lust for Power

Realizing the need to muzzle the press, Luther bought and then sold the *Daily Planet* to Perry White (*see* White, Perry) on condition that Lois Lane killed any single story of his choosing. Feeling safe from exposure, Luther ran for U.S. President to gain the power needed to bring Superman down. Surprisingly, he served the U.S.'s interests well, strengthening or forging relationships with many nations from Atlantis to Russia, and rallying the troops when Imperiex arrived to destroy Earth (*see* Great Battles, pp. 362–3).

Key storylines

- **Superman: President Lex (Jan. 2003):** The world looks on aghast as Luther becomes U.S. President following the most controversial election of all time.
- **Superman: Birthright #1–12 (September 2003–September 2004):** Delving back to their childhood in Smallville, Luther's tortured relationship with Clark Kent/Superman is redefined and explored.
- **Superman/Batman #1–6:** President Luther becomes a kryptonite junkie and goes insane.
- **Lex Luthor: Man of Steel #1–5 (May–September 2005):** Luther's recovery from his downfall.

Front page news

Lois found out that Luthor had known of Imperiex's threat earlier than stated. He demanded that this be the story the *Planet* killed, but the savvy reporter tricked him, giving her notes to Clark Kent, who wrote a scathing piece, exposing Luthor for the criminal he was.

Advance warning *Luthor had secretly known of Imperiex's invasion plans, but ordered Lois Lane to kill the story. However, Clark Kent printed the full truth, starting Luthor's term as U.S. President.*

Warsuit *Luthor finally took matters in his own hands, attempting to destroy both Superman and Batman.*

U.S. President *Luthor was quite effective in his post, improving diplomatic relations with Atlantis and other countries.*

Act of madness

Luthor's presidential power still could not bring about the end of Superman and his costumed friends. When an asteroid neared Earth, Luthor detected kryptonite radiation and used that to try and turn the public against the Man of Steel. He even sent costumed champions after Superman, but this gambit also failed. Finally, he donned a LexCorp war suit and tried to take down not only Superman but Batman as well. His efforts were in vain and his deception was made public. Driven from the presidency, Luthor was thought to have died but leaped to freedom, an angry, vengeful man. RG

The Superboy Plot

From a secret location, Lex Luthor plotted his return to power. With Lana Lang (*see* LANG, LANA) now in charge of LuthorCorp and Pete Ross (*see* ROSS, PETE) stepping in to serve out the rest of Luthor's term as president, the stage seemed clear for a rebirth of Luthor's particular brand of genius. He began by activating buried programming in the mind of SUPERBOY (Conner Kent), turning him against his teammates in the TEEN TITANS. The attack failed, but Luthor continued to think of Conner—a clone who shared 50% of his DNA with Superman and 50% with Luthor—as his own son. Lex's concern for Conner seemed uncharacteristic, but showed his protectiveness of the Luthor bloodline. By claiming Conner as his own, he had stolen a family member from Superman.

CLONE VAT *Luthor's ability to crack the genetic code also led to the first Bizarro.*

LIKE FATHER *Brainwashed, Conner Kent fights the Teen Titans under Luthor's orders.*

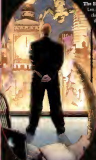
FALLEN SON *Conner died in the Infinite Crisis, with Luthor among his mourners.*

BEHIND THE CURTAIN [illegible] was actually the Secret [illegible]

Villains United

Just prior to the Infinite Crisis, Alexander Luthor—adult son of a Lex Luthor from an alternate dimension—posed as this reality's Luthor in order to unite the planet's supervillains under his banner. Assembling a new SECRET SOCIETY OF SUPER VILLAINS, this Luthor pitted the largest and most dangerous assemblage of criminals ever seen against the world's heroes. The true Lex Luthor, meanwhile, moved against the impostor by taking the identity of Mockingbird and forming a new SECRET SIX to oppose the Society. Lex's vengeance came to fruition during the INFINITE CRISIS when he arranged for Alexander Luthor's death at the hands of the JOKER. Lex mourned Conner Kent, who had died trying to prevent Alexander's scheme [illegible] the universe.

TABLES TURNED [illegible] head of the Secret [illegible] Luthor [illegible]



The Everyman Project

Lex altered Alexander Luthor's corpse to resemble his own, then claimed that the late doppelganger had been responsible for the worst crimes of the Luthor presidency. The ruse fooled many, and Lex soon found himself the head of an ambitious experiment to transform ordinary citizens into superheroes. Dubbed the Everyman Project, the program attracted interest from thousands of hopefuls including Natasha Irons (*see* IRONS, NATASHA), niece of the hero STEEL. Luthor granted Natasha superhuman abilities, then grouped her with several other charismatic young people and launched the team as the all-new, corporate-owned INFINITY INC. But the test subjects of the Everyman Project soon learned the limits of their genetic gifts. On New Year's Eve, as part of a scheme to humiliate the hero Supernova, Luthor triggered the instantaneous shutdown of all his subjects' powers. Suddenly powerless, dozens of hopeful heroes died as they plummeted from the sky. Steel and Natasha Irons confronted Luthor in his office, only to discover that he had temporarily acquired powers as well. The duo managed to outsmart Luthor and bring him to justice.

META-LUTHOR *The Everyman treatments worked on their creator as well. For a brief time, Luthor possessed the powers of Superman.*

***Public enemy** The goodwill he earned as U.S. president now gone, Luthor burned for revenge on the citizens of Metropolis.*

***Krypton on Earth** Using self-assembling Kryptonian crystal technology, Luthor attacked Metropolis with an array of alien war machines.*

Kryptonian Science

Yet Luthor managed to escape incarceration. Found innocent of all criminal charges related to the Everyman Project, Luthor tried to reassume his position as one of the Metropolis elite in the face of widespread public condemnation. Deciding that Superman was the obstacle preventing his return to fame, Luthor retrieved a long-buried Kryptonian battleship and led an assault on Metropolis using crystalline war machines not seen since the golden age of the long-dead planet. His plan was to discredit Superman as a failure.Luthor again went underground. Later he assembled a Revenge Squad consisting of the Parasite, Metallo, and Bizarro to battle the invading armies of General Zod.

***Mad science** His brain as sharp as ever, Luthor tortured the new Kryptonite Man to generate the energy he required.*

Injustice League Unlimited

Although no longer in possession of his vast business empire, Luthor put his organizational skills to work by amassing the Injustice League Unlimited, a team of supervillains so large it challenged Alexander Luthor's Secret Society. Luthor headed the army, aided with his lieutenants the Joker and the Cheetah. The group moved against the newly reformed Justice League of America by capturing many of its members, then [illegible] them inside its secret headquarters in the Florida Everglades. The Justice League rallied to victory but the Injustice League regrouped and remained coiled for a second strike.

Later Luthor found himself one of the villains dumped on the distant planet Salvation and quickly assumed a leadership role.

Luthor's mind is as brilliant as ever. Since his fall from the presidency he has devoted much of his genius to science. He [illegible] a modified version of his [illegible] [illegible] Earth [illegible] [illegible] enhanced his [illegible] and [illegible] weapons take him a [illegible] Superman. RG/DW

MAD HARRIET

FIRST APPEARANCE MISTER MIRACLE (1st series) #6 [illegible] 1972)
STATUS Villain (deceased) **REAL NAME** Unrevealed
OCCUPATION Shocktrooper **BASE** Apokolips
HEIGHT 5ft 10in **WEIGHT** 146 lbs **EYES** Black **HAIR** Green
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Tenacious combatant; fists are armed with power spikes that can slash through most materials.

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MANIC MILLINER [illegible]

HATS OFF [illegible]

MAD HATTER

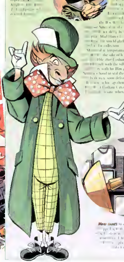
FIRST APPEARANCE BATMAN #49 [illegible]
STATUS Villain **REAL NAME** Jervis Tetch
OCCUPATION Professional criminal **BASE** Gotham City
HEIGHT 4ft 8in **WEIGHT** 149 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Red
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES A master hypnotist able to use chemical concoctions or electronic technology concealed in his oversized hat to enthrall his victims; short and slight in stature, the Hatter prefers to let his mesmerized minions do his fighting for him.

Insanely inspired by Lewis Carroll's children's book *Alice's Adventures in Wonderland*, [illegible] Tetch convinced himself that he was [illegible] chapeau-crazed Mad Hatter. In one of his very first crimes, Tetch hypnotized and kidnapped teenage girls to be "Alices" in a [illegible] party, before selling them into slavery. [illegible] Batman and Robin foiled the Hatter's [illegible] unwilling guests, who included the [illegible] very first crush, schoolmate Jenny [illegible]. Since then, the Hatter has committed even more sordid [illegible] with hats. However, what [illegible] Mad Hatter [illegible] most of all is Batman's famous [illegible]. He would gladly kill the Dark Knight to add the Bat-[illegible] collection.

[illegible] temperament, the Mad Hatter generally works [illegible] the sake of [illegible] of chapeaux buried under [illegible] after Gotham City's earthquake, Tetch [illegible] with the villain Narcosis, who planned to blanket the [illegible] with his Blow gas. Naturally, the Hatter bargained for [illegible] to seal their partnership, short-lived though it was, [illegible] soon defeated by Batman.

[illegible] crime sprees, Tetch is confined in [illegible] Gotham City's notorious Arkham Asylum for the [illegible] where hats are [illegible] prohibited.

The Mad Hatter recently served with the new SECRET SIX, where he pitted his mind-controlling abilities against those of DOCTOR PSYCHO. SB



MIND GAMES [illegible]

MADAME .44

First appearance ALL STAR WESTERN #117 (Ma[illegible]
Status Hero **Real name** Jeanne Walker
Occupation Gunslinger **Base** Mesa City
Height 5ft 2in **Weight** 119 lbs **Eyes** Blue **Hair** Red
Special powers/abilities Crack shot with a pistol; uses her wit when her physical prowess did not match her opponents.

[illegible] RG

MADAME ROUGE

First appearance DOOM PATROL (1st series) #86 (March 1964)
Status Villain (deceased) **Real name** Laura DeMille
Occupation Ex-actress and teacher; criminal **Base** Paris, France
Height 5ft [illegible] **Weight** [illegible] lbs **Eyes** Blue **Hair** Black
Special powers/abilities Could stretch any body part to incredible lengths; could reshape her facial features to disguise herself.

[illegible] PJ

MADAME XANADU

First appearance DOORWAY TO NIGHTMARE #1 (February 1978)
Status Hero **Real name** Unknown
Occupation Occultist **Base** Greenwich Village, New York City
Height 5ft 9in **Weight** 145 lbs **Eyes** Green **Hair** Black
Special powers/abilities Able to read people's futures and sense and interpret magical forces; commands three demon [illegible]

[illegible] SB

MADEMOISELLE MARIE

First appearance STAR SPANGLED WAR STORIES #84 (August 1959)
Status Hero **Real name** Unrevealed
Occupation French resistance leader **Base** France
Height 5ft [illegible] **Weight** 117 lbs **Eyes** Blue **Hair** Brown
Special powers/abilities A natural markswoman with a keen tactical mind; charismatic, courageous, and resourceful.

[illegible] LW

MAGEDDON

First appearance JLA #37 (January 2000)
Status Villain **Real name** None
Occupation Weapon of mass destruction (destroyed) **Base** Mob[illegible]
Height Unknown **Weight** Unknown **Eyes** Red **Hair** None
Special powers/abilities Stimulated violent, highly destructive feelings of anger and aggression in people; capable of wreaking unimaginable levels of havoc and annihilation.

[illegible] DW

THE EYE HAS IT [illegible]

[illegible] DW

MAGENTA

FIRST APPEARANCE THE NEW TEEN TITANS (1st series) #17 (March 1982)
STATUS Villain **REAL NAME** Frances Kane
OCCUPATION Criminal **BASE** Keystone City
HEIGHT 5ft 7in **WEIGHT** 134 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Purple
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Able to generate and manipulate magnetic energy, controlling anything made of metal and bending it to her will.

[illegible] When [illegible] car fell off a cliff, and [illegible] killed. Frances's [illegible] was powered by the devil [illegible]. With the help of Wally and the first Teen Titans [illegible] some control over her powers, and [illegible] in college. [illegible] powers [illegible], however, she would [illegible] Magenta [illegible] the Flash in [illegible] fought the Flash as [illegible]. Having since been [illegible] the Flash [illegible], Magenta flutters [illegible] good and evil [illegible], and is now firmly [illegible] with other nefarious criminals in the Flash's Rogues Gallery. PJ

PURPLE POWER [illegible] by her powers [illegible] the Flash's most [illegible] villains [illegible]

MAGNO

FIRST APPEARANCE LEGIONNAIRES #43 (December 1996)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Dyrk Magz
OCCUPATION Legion ally **BASE** Legion World, U.P. Space
HEIGHT 5ft 8in **WEIGHT** 149 lbs **EYES** Brown **HAIR** Blond
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Formerly able to generate and control magnetic fields to fly and manipulate metal objects; mystically de-powered following a battle with Mordru.

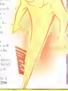
[illegible] Dyrk Magz [illegible] Magz [illegible] Mordru [illegible] Magz [illegible] SB

ATTRACTIVE [illegible]

WEAK [illegible]

MAINLINE

FIRST APPEARANCE STEEL (2nd series) #0 (October 1994)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Unknown
OCCUPATION Member of Team Hazard's Black Ops **BASE** Mobile
HEIGHT 5ft 11in **WEIGHT** 170 lbs **EYES** Unknown **HAIR** None
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Can fly at light-speed and burn through objects while in energy form.



All [illegible] Mainline [illegible] Black Ops [illegible] Hazard [illegible] DW

MAJOR FORCE

FIRST APPEARANCE CAPTAIN ATOM [illegible]
STATUS [illegible] (deceased) **REAL NAME** Clifford Zmeck
OCCUPATION U.S. government agent **BASE** Washington D.C.
HEIGHT 6ft 5in **WEIGHT** 260 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Reddish [illegible]
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Superstrength; invulnerability; possible immortality; projected black energy blasts.

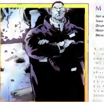
Sergeant Clifford Zmeck, the second test subject in the U.S. government's "Captain Atom Project" (see CAPTAIN ATOM), had received a life sentence for murder when he was selected to receive a double coating of alien alloy and stand at ground zero during an H-bomb explosion. Zmeck flew into the quantum field at the moment of detonation. When he emerged decades had passed and he had gained superhuman powers. General Wade Eiling (GENERAL) took command of Zmeck, naming him Major Force and later crafting a "costume" onto his metallic shell. Major Force was assigned to shadowy government bureaus such as the Quorum. He has been killed [illegible] many times, [illegible] SUPERMAN [illegible] for President [illegible] Luthor (see [illegible] LEX) and another [illegible] at the hands of [illegible] DW

BAD AGENT [illegible]

MAJOR DISASTER

FIRST APPEARANCE GREEN LANTERN (2nd series) #43 (March 1966)
STATUS Villain turned ally **REAL NAME** Paul Booker
OCCUPATION Former criminal **BASE** JLA Watchtower, the Moon
HEIGHT 5ft 11in **WEIGHT** 195 lbs **EYES** Brown **HAIR** Black
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Seemingly invulnerable; possesses incredible psychic ability to generate natural disasters on a massive scale, from devastating earthquakes to flash floods.

Paul Booker learned the secret identities of [illegible] GREEN LANTERN and [illegible] broke [illegible] KALMAKU [illegible] JUSTICE LEAGUE OF AMERICA [illegible] group of [illegible] for [illegible] Major Disaster [illegible] and [illegible] his body [illegible] realized [illegible] In [illegible] he joined [illegible] League Antarctica [illegible] greater destruction [illegible] joining the Secret Society [illegible] helping SUPERMAN [illegible] for his crimes. BATMAN [illegible] the JLA, and he later [illegible] the Justice League Elite. PJ



DESTRUCTION [illegible]

PARDON Major Disaster was [illegible] JLA [illegible]

MAMMOTH

FIRST APPEARANCE NEW TEEN TITANS (1st series) #3 (January 1981)
STATUS Villain **REAL NAME** Baran Flinders
OCCUPATION Professional criminal **BASE** New Jersey
HEIGHT 6ft 5in **WEIGHT** 300 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Red
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Superhuman strength; partial invulnerability.

[illegible] Mammoth [illegible] Shimmer [illegible] Mammoth [illegible] DW

MAN-BAT

GOTHAM'S NIGHT TERROR

FIRST APPEARANCE DETECTIVE COMICS #400 (June 1970)
STATUS Villain **REAL NAME** Robert Kirkland Langstrom
OCCUPATION biologist **BASE** A small town near Gotham City
HEIGHT 7ft 4in **WEIGHT** 315 lbs **EYES** Red **HAIR** Brown
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES [illegible] ... a winged, super-strong half-bat humanoid that has natural sonar, but limited daytime vision

CHEMISTRY EXPERIMENT Dr. Langstrom's efforts to [illegible] [illegible]

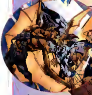
KEY STORYLINES

- ***DETECTIVE COMICS* #400 (June 1970):** Man-Bat first appears in the skies of Gotham City as a tragic figure who views his transformation as a curse.
- ***BATMAN: MAN-BAT* (Mar 1997):** This Elseworlds story showcases a world in which Kirk Langstrom and his wife Francine have become full-time bats, raising a teenaged son and plotting to take over the world with man-bats [illegible]

DOCTOR KIRK LANGSTROM was an expert in mammal biology, notably *Chiroptera* (bats). Hoping to cure his growing deafness, he tried to create a serum that would give human beings the powers of echolocation that allow bats to use sound to navigate in the dark. When Langstrom tested the chemical on himself the serum reacted with his genetic make-up and transformed him into a man-sized bat.

MAN-BAT ARMY

Once he became the Man-Bat, Langstrom's intellect seemed to vanish and the crazed mutant began terrorizing Gotham City. Batman stopped Man-Bat's initial rampage, but Langstrom soon injected himself with another dose and became Man-Bat once again. He kidnapped his fiancée Francine Lee, injected her, and she became a half-human/half-bat hybrid as well. After Batman once again captured Man-Bat and his mate, Langstrom refined the serum so that he could transform into his mutated state but maintain his intelligence. This Man-Bat occasionally helped Batman solve crimes. Langstrom and Francine eventually married and had a daughter, Rebecca, and a son, Aaron, a miniature version of his Man-Bat father.



SCREECHING THROUGH THE SKIES Drawn by [illegible], Man-Bat [illegible] Batman above the [illegible]

MAN-BAT IN LONDON

Back in his laboratory, Dr. Langstrom worked [illegible] to refine the Man-Bat serum to reverse the changes it had made on his physiology and his sanity. One year after the Infinite Crisis, Langstrom earned the [illegible] of Talia of the League of Assassins. Talia's [illegible] kidnapped Langstrom's wife Francine in London, [illegible] her life unless Langstrom turned over the [illegible] of the Man-Bat formula. Desperate to save his wife, Langstrom rushed to assemble the ingredients, [illegible] [illegible] Wayne in London to attend a charity art exhibit. Langstrom [illegible] the serum to Talia, who released Francine and used the [illegible] shape a [illegible] of ninja man-bats. The airborne killers crashed the gallery [illegible] forcing Bruce Wayne to battle as Batman. Although he took down most of the [illegible] Batman [illegible] tactics and became her prisoner—an opportunity [illegible] to introduce [illegible] Damian.

Kirk Langstrom [illegible] to Gotham City, where he renewed his sporadic transformations into Man-Bat. Recently captured by the GCPD, he became one of the many villains deposited on a distant prison planet during the events of Operation: Salvation Run. **PJ/DW**

WORKING FOR THE ENEMY [illegible]

MANHUNTER

NO ONE ESCAPES

First appearance MANHUNTER (3rd series) #1 (October 2004)
Status Hero
Real name Katherine Spencer
Occupation Federal prosecutor; adventurer
Base Mobile
Height 5ft 8in
Weight 145 lbs
Eyes Blue
Hair Brown
Special powers/abilities Suit provides enhanced strength and protection from injuries; carries a powerful energy staff.

The scheming android Manhunters have employed human agents over the years. The first was policeman Donald Richards who, with his robotic dog named Thor, battled crime in the 1940s. Big-game hunter Paul Kirk was also recruited during that period. He fought crime as Manhunter II, joining the All-Star Squadron during World War II. Decades later, idealist Mark Shaw became the third Manhunter. A master of many fighting styles, he helped the Justice League of America prevent the Manhunters from destroying the Guardians of the Universe. Star City musician Chase Lawler then had a brief career as a fourth Manhunter before suffering a heart attack. The fifth Manhunter is a clone of Paul Kirk named Kirk DePaul, who is a partner in the corporate team the Power Company. DePaul sometimes appeared to be more driven by financial gain than the idealism required to be a super hero, and has often clashed with his fellow partners over ethical and moral issues.

KATHERINE SPENCER

The [illegible] latest Manhunter is Kate Spencer, a federal prosecutor who took [illegible] in response to a legal system that too often let [illegible] the guilty go free. When [illegible] escaped courtroom justice, Kate [illegible] including a strength-enhancing battle suit [illegible] of the Darkstars, Azrael's former [illegible] Manhunter, to piece together [illegible] Manhunter while maintaining her [illegible] counsel Damon Matthews [illegible] (Cameron) and Dylan Battles, a [illegible]

[illegible] Kate [illegible] that she came from [illegible] Golden Age [illegible] Kate has served with [illegible] and trained in hand-to-hand [illegible] Wonder Woman [illegible] Wonder Woman in her [illegible] the murder of Maxwell Lord (see Lord, Maxwell). Although [illegible] adventurer, Kate [illegible] the super hero community and seems poised to take on great challenges in the coming years. **RG/DW**

Manhunter I *Donald Richards had [illegible] for tracking down villains. [illegible] get results when police methods failed.*

Manhunter II *Big-game hunter Paul Kirk expanded his [illegible] modifications meant [illegible] healed rapidly.*

Manhunter V *Batman [illegible] highly [illegible] Kirk DePaul's motives when he discovered the former mercenary in Gotham City. The Dark Knight was sure DePaul was in town to kill an exile from the African nation of [illegible]. Fortunately, on this occasion Batman's fears were groundless.*

Secret identity [illegible] Spencer [illegible] her Manhunter costume [illegible]

KEY STORYLINES

- ***Manhunter* (1st series) #1 (July 1988)**
The Manhunter character appears in this self-titled series, this time as Mark Shaw, a public defender turned vigilante.
- ***Power Company* #1–18 (April 2002–September 2003)**
Kirk DePaul, a clone of Paul Kirk, serves with the for-hire super hero team organized by Josiah Power.
- ***Manhunter* (3rd series) #1 (October 2004)**
Kate Spencer becomes the latest Manhunter, balancing her role as a prosecutor with her unlicensed, freelance adventuring.

Back from the dead [illegible] had put the [illegible]

MANCHESTER BLACK

FIRST APPEARANCE ACTION COMICS #775 (March 2001)
STATUS Villain **REAL NAME** Manchester Black
OCCUPATION Adventurer **BASE** England
HEIGHT 5ft 6in **WEIGHT** 170 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Purple
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES An accomplished telepath who can manipulate minds and distort reality; in combat he uses telekinetic powers, preferring not to get his hands dirty in a fight.

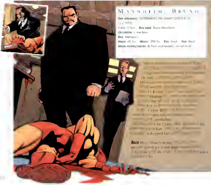
Black [illegible] fighters but these [illegible] the [illegible] the [illegible] Ben [illegible] all [illegible] the [illegible] Superman [illegible] Black was [illegible] with his [illegible] Black. RG

REVENGE FANTASY Superman [illegible]

MIND GAMES Attempting [illegible] Superman [illegible] Black [illegible] Lane and then [illegible] the Man of [illegible] he has killed [illegible]

MANNHEIM, BRUNO

FIRST APPEARANCE SUPERMAN'S PAL JIMMY OLSEN #139 (July 1971)
STATUS Villain **REAL NAME** Bruno Mannheim
OCCUPATION Crime boss
BASE Metropolis
HEIGHT 6ft 2in **WEIGHT** 290 lbs **EYES** Black **HAIR** Black
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Brilliant and twisted criminal mind.



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RAGE Bruno Mannheim [illegible] to ever head [illegible] the Cult [illegible]

BLOODBATH [illegible]

[illegible] the [illegible] the [illegible] Mannheim [illegible] the [illegible] Cult of Conn[illegible] Mannheim [illegible] has been. DW

MANHUNTERS, THE

FIRST APPEARANCE JUSTICE LEAGUE OF AMERICA (1st series) #140 (March 1977)
STATUS Villains **REAL NAME** Not applicable **OCCUPATION** Android would-be conquerors (destroyed) **BASE** Mobile **HEIGHT** 7ft **WEIGHT** 475 lbs
EYES Photocellular **HAIR** None **SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES** Super-strong, armored androids armed with stun guns; formerly energized by hand-held power batteries, now carry batons that fire energy blasts.

[illegible] RG

MANTIS

FIRST APPEARANCE THE FOREVER PEOPLE (1st series) #2 (June 1971)
STATUS Villain (deceased) **REAL NAME** None
OCCUPATION Agent of Darkseid **BASE** Apokolips
HEIGHT 6ft 4in **WEIGHT** 275 lbs **EYES** Orange **HAIR** None
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Superstrength, flight; can absorb any power source; "thermal touch" generates heat; [illegible] imprisons foes in ice; can destroy anything he touches with anti-matter.

[illegible] SB

MARKSMAN

FIRST APPEARANCE SMASH COMICS #33 (May 1942)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Baron Povolski
OCCUPATION Adventurer **BASE** Poland
HEIGHT 5ft 8in **WEIGHT** 150 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Black
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES The Baron was an Olympic-level bowman as well as a highly trained hand-to-hand combatant.

[illegible] RG

MANITOU RAVEN

FIRST APPEARANCE JLA #68 (July 2002)
STATUS Villain turned hero **REAL NAME** Unknown
OCCUPATION Tribal mystic, adventurer
BASE JLA Watchtower, the Moon
HEIGHT 5ft [illegible] **WEIGHT** 156 lbs **EYES** White **HAIR** Black
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Vast supernatural powers include the ability to change his size and travel to the astral plane; conjures a hatchet [illegible]

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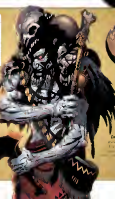

MYSTIC MAN [illegible]

DAWN [illegible]

MARTIAN MANHUNTER

FIRST APPEARANCE DETECTIVE COMICS #225 (November 1955)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** J'onn J'onzz
OCCUPATION Adventurer **BASE** JLA Watchtower, the Moon
HEIGHT 6ft 7in **WEIGHT** 300 lbs **EYES** Red **HAIR** None
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Flight, superstrength, invulnerability, enhanced speed, shapeshifting, invisibility, telepathy, and "Martian vision," which provides a type of X-ray vision and allows J'onn to fire energy beams from his eyes.

TRUE TO FORM J'onn [illegible]

J'ONN J'ONZZ, THE MARTIAN MANHUNTER [illegible] his daughter and his dearest love, yet he is never [illegible] family is the JUSTICE LEAGUE OF AMERICA. [illegible] were one of the most powerful species in the universe, [illegible] of shapeshifting, strength, flight, and [illegible] ible powers. J'onn J'onzz, a philosopher [illegible] private life, worked as a Manhunter to keep the peace on his native planet.

H'RONMEER'S CURSE

J'onn J'onzz's [illegible] when the mad [illegible] Ma'alefa'ak [illegible] the pyrokinetic plague H'ronmeer's [illegible] the people of Mars. This pestilence [illegible] through the population [illegible] and daughter. J'onn [illegible] Ma'alefa'ak beneath Mars's highest mountain [illegible] and wandered the planet [illegible] brought him to Earth [illegible] Despero [illegible] Superman [illegible] Martian Manhunter [illegible] Justice League [illegible] Aquaman [illegible] Crisis [illegible] Martian Manhunter [illegible] [illegible] Martian Manhunter [illegible] Martians [illegible] a group [illegible] Martians like himself [illegible] Batman [illegible]

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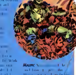
SECRET IDENTITY [illegible] an Earth-bound manhunter.



MALEFIC [illegible] for blood.

DARK MIRROR J'onn, who needed the [illegible]

FIRE J'onn [illegible] flame [illegible] by both [illegible] and psychological [illegible].

KEY STORYLINES
- **MARTIAN MANHUNTER (2ND SERIES) #1 (DECEMBER 1998):** The quintessential team player gets a starring role for the first time in years.
- **JLA: YEAR ONE #1–12 (JANUARY–DECEMBER 1998):** J'onn's role as the heart and soul of the JLA is apparent in this retelling of the team's origin.
- **JLA #84–89 (OCTOBER–DECEMBER 2003):** J'onn turns against his JLA teammates during the Burning Martian storyline, showing why he is their most powerful member.

MARY MARVEL

THE WORLD'S MIGHTIEST GIRL

FIRST APPEARANCE CAPTAIN MARVEL ADVENTURES #18 (Dec. 1942) **STATUS** Hero **REAL NAME** Mary Batson **OCCUPATION** Adventurer **BASE** Fawcett City **HEIGHT** 5ft 6in **WEIGHT** 139 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Auburn **SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES** By saying "Shazam!" aloud Mary Marvel gains Solomon's wisdom, Hercules' superstrength, Atlas's stamina, Zeus's raw power, Achilles's courage, and Mercury's superspeed. Mary Marvel shares her powers with Captain Marvel and Captain Marvel Jr. [illegible] whether using their powers, Mary Marvel has access to only half her power.

SHE IS THE TWIN SISTER OF BILLY BATSON the mighty mortal known as CAPTAIN MARVEL. Granted the abilities of the greatest OLYMPIAN GODS by uttering the name of the wizard Shazam, Mary Batson is Mary Marvel, one of the most powerful heroes on the planet! A sweet young woman in both guises, Mary nonetheless packs quite a punch, courageously defending her hometown of Fawcett City from mutant worms, Nazi terrorists, and ancient deities gone mad!

THE WORLD'S MIGHTIEST GIRL [illegible] her power, Mary Marvel is still only a teenager.

SHAZAM! Mary summons a lightning bolt to change her into a super hero.

KEY STORYLINES

- *POWER OF SHAZAM #30–31 (SEPTEMBER 1997).* During the Genesis event, Mary's secret identity was revealed to her parents before she entered the Source to save all of creation!
- *FORMERLY KNOWN AS THE JUSTICE LEAGUE #1–6 (SEPTEMBER 2003–JANUARY 2004).* Mary joined the team, and nearly murdered Captain Atom in a hypnotic rage induced by Roulette!

THERE'S SOMETHING ABOUT MARY

Mary Batson's parents were killed by Theo Adam (or BLACK ADAM) on an archaeological expedition in Egypt when she was one. Mary, who had completely lost her memory, was taken back to the U.S. by Adam's sister Sarah Primm, who worked for Nick and Nora Bromfield, a wealthy family in Fawcett City. Adopted by the Bromfields, Mary lived a sheltered life.

Years later, Mary was reintroduced to Billy Batson, who recognized her as his long lost sister. Billy and his friend Freddy Freeman arrived at the Bromfields just as the villain Ibac arrived to kidnap the family. Mary escaped, clutching the gift Billy had brought her to jog her memory, a stuffed animal the twins used to play with [illegible] Lawks Lawrs. As Mary hid from the kidnappers, the toy transported her mind to another dimension, where she met the spirit of her slain mother, Marilyn [illegible] wizard Shazam. Mary's mental blocks vanished and her [illegible] returned. She instinctively sensed that her brother [illegible] Captain Marvel. Mary begged the wizard to help [illegible] her family. He agreed and blessed her with a variety [illegible] powers she could summon forth by saying the word Shazam!

When the kidnappers burst into Mary's room, they found [illegible] garbed in a red and gold costume. Invulnerable to their [illegible] she overpowered them, but not before her nanny, [illegible] Primm, suffered a heart attack. As she lay dying, Sarah confessed her relationship with Theo Adam to Mary [illegible] how she had tried to hide the amnesiac Mary who [illegible] witnessed her parents' murder with the Bromfields to [illegible] a chance at a decent life. Billy [illegible] the Bromfields soon after, and the Marvels [illegible] city's champions, defending the town [illegible] master criminals like DOCTOR SIVANA, [illegible] NAZI, and MISTER MIND.

Mary Marvel lost her powers during the [illegible] but recaptured them as a "gift" from Black Adam. The transfer corrupted her, and a black-garbed Mary Marvel fell under the spell of ECLIPSO as she explored the depths of [illegible] PJ

JUSTICE LEAGUE Mary Marvel [illegible] was forced to use her powers on her teammate Captain Atom in Roulette's fight club, the House.

DARK DESIRES [illegible] [illegible] lost the powers [illegible] heroes. Mary was tempted by Black Adam's and turned against her friends in the months prior to the Final Crisis.

MATTER-EATING LAD

FIRST APPEARANCE ADVENTURE COMICS #303 (December 1962)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Tenzil Kem
OCCUPATION Politician **BASE** Bismoll
HEIGHT 5ft 10in **WEIGHT** 150 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Black
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Can eat any form of matter and disintegrate it

[illegible]

[illegible] Matter-Eater Lad [illegible] DW

MAX MERCURY

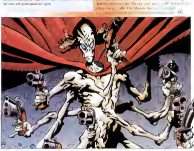
FIRST APPEARANCE NATIONAL COMICS #5 (November 1940)
STATUS Hero (missing in action) **REAL NAME** Unrevealed
OCCUPATION Adventurer **BASE** Manchester, Alabama
HEIGHT 6ft 1in **WEIGHT** 185 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Gray
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Can run at speeds approaching the speed of light and vibrate his molecules through solid objects

[illegible] DW

MAWZIR

FIRST APPEARANCE HITMAN #1 (August 1995)
STATUS Villain (destroyed) **REAL NAME** Mawzir
OCCUPATION Creature **BASE** Hell
HEIGHT 6ft 6in **WEIGHT** 180 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Brown
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Huge and nimble, the deadly Mawzir used its ten arms with great speed and agility.

After World War II, [illegible] Nazi officer [illegible] Arkham [illegible] a single demon, the fourth [illegible] Mawzir. [illegible] to Earth numerous times, the Mawzir [illegible] to bring back artifacts for its master. This brought it into opposition with CATWOMAN and then [illegible] destroyed the Mawzir [illegible] The Mawzir has [illegible] RG



MAXIE ZEUS

FIRST APPEARANCE DETECTIVE COMICS #483 (May 1979)
STATUS Villain (deceased) **BASE** Gotham City
HEIGHT 5ft 6in **WEIGHT** 135 lbs **EYES** Brown **HAIR** Brown
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES A master manipulator and orator with delusions of grandeur, he had various underworld connections.

[illegible]

[illegible] Maxie Zeus [illegible] Gotham City.

[illegible] Maxie Zeus [illegible] PJ

MAXIMA

First appearance ACTION COMICS #645 (September 1989)
Status Hero (deceased) **Real name** None
Occupation Deposed ruler of Almerac/adventurer **Base** Earth
Height 6ft 2in **Weight** 164 lbs **Eyes** Brown **Hair** Red
Special powers/abilities Superstrength, flight; able to psychokinetically manipulate matter at the molecular level

[illegible] empire [illegible] the planet [illegible] Obsessed with [illegible] her [illegible] opportunity, securing a suitable [illegible] her glorious realm. When [illegible] transmission detailing [illegible] in the [illegible] Warworld, Maxima was sure the [illegible] further delay, she [illegible] her husband [illegible] to marry [illegible] to rage, and she [illegible]

[illegible] and Maxima [illegible] superiority complex and [illegible] rejection of her [illegible] a partnership with [illegible]

[illegible] Maxima [illegible] world-destroying [illegible] Maxima gave her [illegible] adopted [illegible] would [illegible] **SB**

Imperial war [illegible]

Destroyed Slain in the [illegible] conflict [illegible] died as she lived [illegible] without fear [illegible] who sacrificed the [illegible] of Hamworld to slow the advance of Imperiex.

MAYA

First appearance JUSTICE LEAGUE EUROPE #47 (February 1993)
Status Hero **Real name** Chandi Gupta
Occupation Adventurer **Base** India
Height 5ft 3in **Weight** 120 lbs **Eyes** Brown **Hair** Black
Special powers/abilities Can emit and control fire and water channeling her mystic powers in harmony with the fire elemental Firestorm and water elemental Naiad

The deity Maya [illegible] her powers [illegible] Chandi Gupta. Her powers [illegible] JUSTICE LEAGUE OF AMERICA [illegible] JUSTICE LEAGUE [illegible] Justice League [illegible] **RG**

MEANSTREAK

First appearance JUSTICE LEAGUE AMERICA (2nd series) #78 (August 1993)
Status Villain **Real name** Unknown **Occupation** New Extremist
Base Mobile **Height** 5ft 8in **Weight** 144 lbs **Eyes** Blue **Hair** Blonde
Special powers/abilities Can generate swords, daggers, and projectiles made of flaming energy; a sadist at heart

Together with her [illegible] New Extremists [illegible] Meanstreak takes pleasure [illegible] DREAMSLAYER [illegible] Meanstreak [illegible] the New Extremists [illegible] the JUSTICE LEAGUE OF AMERICA [illegible] [illegible] Meanstreak [illegible] New Extremists [illegible] Meanstreak [illegible] New Extremists [illegible] **DW**

MEKANIQUE

First appearance INFINITY INC. #19 (October 1985)
Status Villain (destroyed) **Real name** None
Occupation Agent of Rotwang **Base** An unspecified future
Height 5ft 9in **Weight** 519 lbs **Eyes** Red **Hair** None
Special powers/abilities Dimensional travel, can fire electrical blasts, project neutron shield, and avoid electronic detection

In the [illegible] future [illegible] robot woman [illegible] ALL-STAR SQUADRON [illegible]

Although destroyed [illegible] Mekanique was [illegible] the JUSTICE SOCIETY [illegible] Mekanique [illegible] **SB**

MEN FROM NOWHERE

FIRST APPEARANCE DOOM PATROL (2nd series) #35 (August 1990)
STATUS Villain group (destroyed) **BASE** Mobile
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES The Men had invisible rayguns that have tremendous destructive power; could also transform children's toys into deadly weapons; tears in their coats were in fact portals into another world.

During World War II, a group dedicated to the extermination of eccentricity and difference named the Agency began snatching the soul husks of men using the silver tongs of the all-powerful Telephone Avatar, a being they had trapped in a sub-basement of the Pentagon. These soul husks became the Men from NOWHERE. The Men captured powerful psychic Wallace Sage, who was forced to create their bizarre weapons with his mind.

Agent Darren Jones, who had been fired from the Agency for misconduct, created a cadre of imitation Men from NOWHERE to destroy Danny the Street, a living, breathing, avenue! The Men were rebuffed by the DOOM PATROL, Danny's new teammates, and were rendered powerless by Danny himself. Weeks later, the real Men from NOWHERE kidnapped Doom Patroller Dorothy Spinner (see SPINNER, DOROTHY), hoping to link her psychic powers—which enabled her to manifest the contents of her subconscious mind—to Wallace Sage's and use them to control the captured Telephone Avatar. But Dorothy's powers proved both unpredictable and uncontrollable, and she destroyed both the Telephone Avatar and the Men from NOWHERE. PJ

MENTO

FIRST APPEARANCE DOOM PATROL (1st series) #91 (November 1964)
STATUS Hero turned villain **REAL NAME** Steve Dayton
OCCUPATION Professional criminal **BASE** Mobile
HEIGHT 5ft 10in **WEIGHT** 178 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Brown
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Mento helmet previously provided a considerable array of psychokinetic powers; as a computer entity Dayton's superpowers are as yet unrevealed, but are likely to be vastly enhanced and facilitate his insane schemes.

Steve Dayton, psychologist and head of Dayton Industries, was once the fifth-richest man in the world. Yet his money couldn't win him the heart of Rita Farr—ELASTI-GIRL of the DOOM PATROL—and he invented the Mento helmet to enhance the powers of his mind and to adventure alongside her as the super hero Mento. Rita eventually relented and married Steve, and the two of them adopted the shape-changing Garfield Logan (BEAST BOY). When Elasti-Girl died, Mento took revenge on her killers GENERAL ZAHL and MADAME ROUGE. Later, he discovered that he had terminal cancer. Dayton tried to use the Mento helmet to control the disease, but the effort drove him mad. In his insanity he founded a criminal team called the Hybrid to battle the TEEN TITANS and implanted a new type of Mento chip directly into his brain. He began carving a shadowy new role for himself as "the Crimelord," plotting global dominance. Dayton recently joined the latest incarnation of the DOOM PATROL but continues to struggle with his fractured sanity. DW

MERA

FIRST APPEARANCE AQUAMAN (1st series) #1 (October 1963)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** None
OCCUPATION Queen of Atlantis **BASE** City of Poseidonis
HEIGHT 5ft 9in **WEIGHT** 160 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Red
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Strength surpassing that of a human; able to telepathically solidify water into various shapes for offensive and defensive purposes; an aquatic being able to survive on land for limited durations.

The beautiful Mera was monarch of Xebel, an other-dimensional aquatic civilization much like Earth's Atlantis. Mera was deposed and banished to Earth. AQUAMAN helped Mera regain the throne of Xebel, but she then left her kingdom to wed Aquaman, the pair becoming king and queen of Atlantis.

However, the course of true love never ran smooth, either underwater or above. Mera and Aquaman's marriage crumbled after the death of their infant son Arthur Jr. at the hands of BLACK MANTA. They separated and Mera became the unwilling mate of evil Thanatos, a sorcerer who greatly resembled Aquaman, and bore him a son, A.J., who rapidly aged to adulthood in the villain's realm. Aquaman freed Mera from Thanatos, and she returned with him to Poseidonis, capital of Atlantis, to general rejoicing.

Mera fell under the influence of the mystic Hagen and the Sorceress Llan, who manipulated the Atlantean queen as their puppet. After the Spectre's destruction of Atlantis during the INFINITE CRISIS, Mera became leader of the survivors. SB

MERLYN

FIRST APPEARANCE JUSTICE LEAGUE OF AMERICA #94 (November 1971)
STATUS Villain **REAL NAME** Unknown
OCCUPATION Mercenary assassin **BASE** Mobile
HEIGHT 6'3" **WEIGHT** 185 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Black
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Expert archer and skilled hand-to-hand combatant.

Merlyn is one of the best archers in the world and an old GREEN ARROW foe [illegible]. They crossed paths early in Oliver Queen's career, and when Green Arrow turned to crimefighting and became a member of the JUSTICE LEAGUE OF AMERICA, Merlyn sought a place with the LEAGUE OF ASSASSINS. His skills improved further after he made a deal with the demon NERON. He clashed with various teams including YOUNG JUSTICE while forming a loose alliance with fellow criminals [illegible], DEATHSTROKE and [illegible].

Merlyn took a more [illegible] role in Green Arrow's life at the time of the Infinite Crisis. He defeated Green Arrow and hit him with two arrows [illegible] in his chest. Queen's [illegible] took months, but he returned to challenge his rival. Merlyn threatened Sin, adopted daughter of BLACK CANARY. Later he appeared with the League of Assassins in the secret city of Nanda Parbat during the resurrection of RA'S AL GHUL. DW

MERCENARIES, THE

FIRST APPEARANCE G.I. COMBAT #242 (June 1982)
STATUS Hero team **BASE** Mobile
MEMBERS
Gordon (last name unrevealed) A former Green Beret
Philip "Prince" Edwards A poor British soldier
Horst Brenner Former automobile factory worker

The Mercenaries are three soldiers of fortune who travel the world looking for adventure and paying work on a number of battlefields. They joined the French Foreign Legion on the same day and became fast friends. None of them, however, believed that the work they were doing [illegible] longer they were eventually placed in a war worth [illegible] pay. They decided to leave the Legion and, calling themselves the Mercenaries, travel the world fighting for whichever army paid them the most.

Still hunted by the French Foreign Legion for desertion, the Mercenaries are masters of armed and unarmed combat and are renowned for their loyalty to their employers, providing the pay is right. PJ

MERRY, GIRL OF 1,000 GIMMICKS

FIRST APPEARANCE STAR SPANGLED COMICS #81 (June 1948)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Merry Pemberton King
OCCUPATION Adventurer **BASE** Civic City
HEIGHT 5ft 3in **WEIGHT** 117 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Red
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES No special powers, but quick-witted and an excellent athlete.

Merry [illegible] was the daughter of a [illegible] boss who placed her in an orphanage when he was sent to prison. But when Sylvester Pemberton III (Star-Spangled Kid) was injured, his wealthy father, noting his lack of friends, adopted Merry to be his companion. Sylvester's newly adopted sister learned the Kid and Stripesy's identities and took a role as the Gimmick Girl. Merry had several adventures before pursuing a romance with Henry King, the criminal Brain Wave. She had a son, Henry King Jr. When Brain Wave was arrested, Merry raised the boy on her own. Still, Merry Pemberton King experienced a mental breakdown and faked her own death when Henry Jr. was in his early teens. As a senior [illegible], Merry came to regret her past and joined with other surviving costumed heroes in Old Justice, [illegible] costumed [illegible]. [illegible] Merry's estranged daughter Jacqueline [illegible] with the Seven Soldiers [illegible] her life in battle. RG

METAL MEN

FIRST APPEARANCE SHOWCASE #37 (April 1962)
STATUS Hero team **BASE** Metropolis
MEMBERS AND POWERS
All Metal Men can morph into almost any form
Gold Analytic mind and leadership skills
Lead Good natured and thick headed; an effective shield against radiation
Iron Quiet and strong team player
Mercury Highly educated; can become liquid metal
Tin Insecure; weakest of the Metal Men
Platinum Also called Tina; fell once in love with Dr. Magnus. **Copper** sarcastic and easily flexible

VERDIUM [illegible] Magnus [illegible] Metal Man, though he has since [illegible] his fondness for pipes.

Dr. Will Magnus is the brilliant roboticist behind the Metal Men, the most amazing automatons of their time. Each possesses a humanlike personality thanks to highly advanced "responsometers" and each exhibits qualities characteristic of their unique metal, including strength, magnetism, or flexibility. The Metal Men can shapeshift with ease, and can even combine to form gigantic constructs to take on enemies like Chemo and the Missile Men.

Doc Magnus, who has long suffered from bipolar disorder, endured a stint trapped in the body of the Metal Man Verdium as well as crippling bouts of depression. But Professor T.O. Morrow encouraged him and the two scientists soon found themselves on Oolong Island under the control of Chang Tzu (or Egg Fu). There Magnus pretended to build a deadly Platinum Man for Chang Tzu while secretly rebuilding his original Metal Men. After escaping from Oolong Island, Magnus and the Metal Men aided the Justice League of America and worked as security guards for Batman's corporation WayneTech. The newest Metal Man to join the team is the female-programmed Copper. DW

METALLO

FIRST APPEARANCE ACTION COMICS #252 (May 1959)
STATUS Villain **REAL NAME** John Corben
OCCUPATION Common thief **BASE** Metropolis
HEIGHT Variable **WEIGHT** Variable
EYES [illegible] **HAIR** None
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Human brain housed in powerful robotic body powered by kryptonite; can morph into nearly any mechanical size, shape, or height; can project his consciousness into other technological devices, transforming them into an extension of his own body.

HEART OF EVIL [illegible] human body [illegible] deadly [illegible] Superman.

[illegible] Krypton [illegible] Superman's birth [illegible] irradiated ore [illegible] the [illegible] from Krypton [illegible] Corben [illegible] snapped [illegible] him [illegible] number of times, [illegible] But [illegible] the heart [illegible] Soon after [illegible] giant [illegible]

METAMORPHO

FIRST APPEARANCE THE BRAVE AND THE BOLD #57 (Dec[illegible] [illegible]64)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Rex Mason
OCCUPATION Adventurer **BASE** Mobile
HEIGHT 6ft 1in **WEIGHT** 200 lbs **EYES** Red **HAIR** None
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Super versatile shape-shifter: able to transform parts of his body or entire form into any chemical element present in the human body, taking advantage of their properties: floating as a cloud of helium, burning with the white heat of phosphorus, etc.

[illegible] daughter Sapphire [illegible]

[illegible] to use his elemental [illegible] hero. He was one of the [illegible] teams assembled by [illegible] belonged to several [illegible] the Atomic Knights [illegible] Sapphire sadly ended in divorce [illegible] inherited his father's shape-[illegible] grotesque appearance. Over the [illegible] has seemingly "died" during several [illegible] on each occasion Metamorpho's [illegible] eventually [illegible] reviving. Following the [illegible] episodes, [illegible] amnesia and struggled to recall his [illegible] of Metamorpho. Shift served with [illegible] Mason re-absorbed the clone and [illegible] **SB**

HAMMER BLOWS [illegible] body [illegible] chemical [illegible] they are threatened [illegible]

CLUNK!
CLONG
SPONG!

METRON

FIRST APPEARANCE THE NEW GODS (1st series) #1 (March 1971)
STATUS Ally **REAL NAME** None
OCCUPATION Scientist, explorer **BASE** New Genesis
HEIGHT 6ft 1in **WEIGHT** 190 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Black
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Brilliant scientist whose analytical mind is motivated by a thirst for knowledge for its own sake; the Mobius chair can fold space and time, enabling travel through time and into alternate dimensions.

[illegible] **DW**

MIDNIGHT

FIRST APPEARANCE SMASH COMICS #18 (January 1941)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Dave Clark
OCCUPATION Radio announcer **BASE** New York City
HEIGHT 6ft **WEIGHT** 190 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Black
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Excellent athlete and hand to hand combatant; uses a special vacuum gun that fires suction [illegible]

[illegible] **PJ**

MILLENNIUM GIANTS

FIRST APPEARANCE THE MAN OF STEEL #78 (April 1998)
STATUS Primordial beings **BASE** Egypt, England, and Mexico
MEMBERS AND ABILITIES
Sekhmet, Cerne, Cabraca
All three giants are immensely powerful beings more than 400 ft tall, able to call upon Earth's electromagnetic forces to wreak havoc

The Millennium Giants awoke from their rest every thousand years to herald the new [illegible] of the Twelfth Ages and cleanse the Earth of all its ills. From Egypt came the lion-headed Sekhmet. From England arose Cerne, a Celtic giant of amazing destructive force. And from a volcano in the Yucatan peninsula came Cabraca, the "Mountain Destroyer" of Mayan legend. Strangely, these three behemoths awakened just as SUPERMAN was split into two beings: Superman Blue and Superman Red, both fueled by the very same electromagnetic forces that coursed through the Earth's ley lines. As if linked by magic, the Millennium Giants followed the ley lines, unleashing a catalogue of natural disasters as they prepared the Earth for another thousand years of growth. To halt the Millennium Giants' devastation, the twin Supermen were joined by the so-called "Team Superman": STEEL III, SUPERBOY, and SUPERGIRL, as well as AQUAMAN, the CHALLENGERS OF THE UNKNOWN, the JUSTICE LEAGUE OF AMERICA, and the TEEN TITANS. When all hope seemed lost, the heroes finally realized that the Millennium Giants were a vital part of Earth's cycle of renewal. Superman Red and Superman Blue expended all their electromagnetic energies to cleanse the Earth's ley lines and finish the Giants' task without further destruction. The Millennium Giants [illegible] the [illegible] to await the [illegible]. SB

SUPER-SIZED [illegible]

MINION

FIRST APPEARANCE NEW TITANS #114 (September 1994)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Jarras Minion
OCCUPATION Adventurer **BASE** Mobile
HEIGHT 5ft **WEIGHT** 110 lbs
EYES Blue **HAIR** Blue-green
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Minion's Omegadrome was a nearly sentient device that could transform itself into protective body armor, weapons, and even a spaceworthy transport ship

The planet Talyn once fell prey to a warlike race [illegible] in battle. The solution was to introduce genetic changes that bred peace-loving people. For a millennium life on Talyn was calm until the planet was laid waste by the psychic forces of Psions. Young Jarras Minion was pushed toward his mother's greatest creation, the Omegadrome. The mechanism cybernetically linked itself to Minion and became an escape craft allowing him to leave the world. While aboard the craft Jarras learned how to manipulate this amazing technology, which could also convert into a suit of battle armor. He followed the energy signature back to Earth, learning to hate Psions along the way, and arrived in time to help the New Titans fight a Psion. After crossing paths with the DARKSTARS and becoming imprisoned, Jarras returned to Earth and was affiliated with the Titans. Minion gave his Omegadrome to the new Titan Cyborg and then returned to the stars. RG

MEGA FORCE **MINION'S** [illegible]

MINSTREL MAVERICK

FIRST APPEARANCE ALL AMERICAN WESTERN #103 (Nov. 1948)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Hank "Harmony" Hayes
OCCUPATION Adventurer **BASE** The American West in the 1870s
HEIGHT 5ft 10in **WEIGHT** 159 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Brown
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Highly skilled with a guitar, as both musical instrument and blunt instrument

Hank "Harmony" Hayes [illegible] the Old West [illegible] fighting [illegible] the [illegible] Minstrel Maverick [illegible] Dusty [illegible] a pacifist [illegible] trouble whenever it came his way. His friends included Blacksmith Bill, whose [illegible] strength rivaled his deep loyalty. Minstrel Maverick [illegible] with other [illegible] fighters of the frontier, including [illegible] the Moon Rider. His enemies included White [illegible] and the Mad-night Kid. Minstrel Maverick's favorite [illegible] was his (reinforced) guitar, which he often cracked against his enemies' skulls with a distinctive "boinggg!" of [illegible] strings. DW

MIRAGE

FIRST APPEARANCE NEW TEEN TITANS ANNUAL #7 (1991)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Miriam Delgado
OCCUPATION Adventurer **BASE** New York City
HEIGHT 5ft 7in **WEIGHT** 145 lbs **EYES** Black and white **HAIR** Black
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Can disguise herself as anyone she pleases by creating complex psychic illusions around her body

Miriam Delgado was living [illegible] when she was kidnapped by the [illegible] Time Trapper. Believing that she was [illegible] Delgado, called Mirage because of her illusion-casting powers, became a member of the so-called Team Titans. Programmed by the Time Trapper to assassinate [illegible] Lazarum, the Team Titans fought Earth's [illegible] during the Zero Hour crisis [illegible] Great Battles pp. 362–3. [illegible] Titans defeat Mirage and [illegible] her fellow [illegible] TERRA, joined the New Titans (see TEEN TITANS). Mirage eventually fell in love with NIGHTWING [illegible] briefly disguised herself as [illegible] Starfire [illegible] that she could be with him. Mirage [illegible] single mother [illegible] PJ

MIRROR MASTER I & III

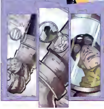
FIRST APPEARANCE (I) THE FLASH (2nd series) #105 (February 1959)
STATUS Villain (deceased) **REAL NAME** Samuel Joseph Scudder
OCCUPATION Professional criminal **BASE** Central City
HEIGHT 5ft 10in **WEIGHT** 175 lbs **EYES** Brown
HAIR [illegible]

FIRST APPEARANCE (III) ANIMAL MAN #8 (February 1989)
STATUS Villain **REAL NAME** Evan McCulloch
OCCUPATION Adventurer **BASE** Mobile
HEIGHT 5ft 11in **WEIGHT** 173 lbs **EYES** Brown **HAIR** Brown

SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES All Mirror Masters have wielded an arsenal of effective weapons able to accomplish amazing feats such as turning opponents' own reflections against them or teleporting via a "Mirror Dimension."

[illegible] to terrorize [illegible] Baker [illegible] and under [illegible] super powers [illegible] ecological [illegible] Mirror Master [illegible] joined the [illegible] Flash. SB

MIRROR IMAGE [illegible]



MAN IN THE MIRROR [illegible] McCulloch [illegible] the Mirror Master [illegible] [illegible] McCulloch [illegible]

MISS AMERICA

FIRST APPEARANCE MILITARY COMICS #1 (August 1941)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Joan Dale
OCCUPATION Adventurer **BASE** New York City
HEIGHT 5ft 7in **WEIGHT** 133 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Black
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Possessed mental powers allowing her to transmute one substance into another.

[illegible] Professor Mazursky [illegible] it was operating [illegible] complex beneath Bedloe's Island, the site of the Statue of Liberty. When the first test subject died, an operative named Agent X offered to find a replacement. He [illegible] reporter Joan Dale, thinking her name was John, to learn of the government's work. When she arrived, she was taken prisoner and subjected to Mazursky's experiment. Believing her dead, she was left on the island to be found by police. She was not alone however, and in her delirium dreamed that the Spirit of Liberty spoke to her and granted her powers to aid her country. Dubbed Miss America by a fan she saved from drowning, she quickly became a sensation. She was recruited by Uncle Sam [illegible] the Freedom Fighters. When they fell, she was captured by Project M; she was rescued by other costumed heroes. She subsequently served with the Justice Society of America [illegible] Uncle Sam [illegible] and the new Freedom [illegible] RG

Miss Liberty

First appearance TOMAHAWK #81 (March 1971)
Status Hero (deceased) ***Real name*** Bess Lynn
Occupation Freedom fighter ***Base*** Mobile
Height 5ft 8in ***Weight*** 137 lbs ***Eyes*** Blue ***Hair*** Blonde (black wig)
Special powers/abilities Skilled combatant and rider; used powder horns to create explosions, sowing panic among enemy troops.

The Revolutionary War that established the U.S.'s independence from Great Britain had [illegible] commenced hence. Frontier nurse Bess Lynn was eager to fight against British forces, but afraid to do it openly lest her brother [illegible] in England would be [illegible] in retaliation. Calling [illegible] Miss Liberty, she donned a [illegible] wig and a red, white and blue costume inspired by the stars and bars flag of her new nation. She battled Redcoats alongside fellow hero Tomahawk, riding a white [illegible] and wielding a sword and [illegible]. Tragically, Miss Liberty died before the end of the war in a battle [illegible] had stolen [illegible] Bell. During the fighting the Liberty Bell fell on Miss Liberty and crushed her. More than a 150 years later Miss Liberty's descendant Libby Lawrence fought against the Axis powers as Liberty Belle. DW

Miss Martian

First appearance TEEN TITANS (3rd series) #37 (August 2006)
Status Hero ***Real name*** M'gann M'orzz
Occupation Adventurer ***Base*** mobile
Height 5ft 10in ***Weight*** 135 lbs ***Eyes*** Red ***Hair*** Red
Special powers/abilities Flight, super-strength, superspeed, invulnerability, Martian vision,* shapeshifting, intangibility, telepathy

M'gann M'orzz, known on Earth as Megan Morse, is a White Martian possessing the near-limitless superpowers common to all members of the Martian species, both White and Green. She joined the Teen Titans under the name Miss Martian during a period of restructuring following the Infinite Crisis.

Originally, M'gann posed as a Green Martian, playing off the fame of the Martian Manhunter in an effort to escape the notoriety of her kin people. Yet her true heritage became known through the Teen Titans' hunt for [illegible] them in their midst. With[illegible] better, Miss Martian [illegible] between M'g[illegible] [illegible] named the [illegible] [illegible] exposed the true [illegible] [illegible] She [illegible] to the Teen [illegible] During [illegible] the [illegible] [illegible] through Miss Martian still had [illegible] [illegible] When [illegible] Titans Tower in San [illegible] Miss Martian prefers [illegible] dark Australian [illegible] since it reminds he[r] [illegible] home. DW

Mist I & II

First appearance ADVENTURE COMICS #67 (October 1941)
Status Villain (deceased) ***Real name*** Kyle (last name unrevealed), also known under the alias Jonathan Smythe
Occupation Professional criminal (deceased) ***Base*** Opal City
Height 5ft 7in ***Weight*** 145 lbs ***Eyes*** Blue ***Hair*** White
Special powers/abilities Could convert his body to sentient mist at will; able to become a mobile, nearly invisible vapor; could take hypnotic control of his victims; an ingenious criminal mastermind.

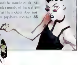
First appearance STARMAN (2nd series) #0 (October 1994)
Status Villain (deceased) ***Real name*** Nash (last name unrevealed)
Occupation Professional criminal ***Base*** Opal City
Height 5ft 8in ***Weight*** 140 lbs ***Eyes*** Gray ***Hair*** Black
Special powers/abilities A brilliant strategist but average combatant; was able to convert her body into living mist at will.

Decades ago, a scientist known only by his first name, Kyle, created a device that allowed him to transform objects into a mist-like state. When gangsters tried to steal the device from him, they turned its power on Kyle and he was transformed into the Mist. The Mist became a powerful criminal mastermind, a constant foe of the first Starman. Decades later, the Mist's son accidentally died during a crime wave spawned by his father. The Mist went insane, his psychological state further hampered by Alzheimer's disease. After selling his soul to the demon Neron, Mist I perished in a nuclear conflagration that also took the life of the first Starman. The Mist's daughter, Nash, followed in his criminal footsteps as Mist II. PJ

Daughter of the first Starman's arch-enemy Mist I, the woman known only as Nash might have lived a very different life had her brother Kyle not been killed battling David Knight, Starman's son and successor. With her fiendish father driven mad with grief, the mentally unhinged Nash took on his role as Mist II.

David Knight had already been killed, so Nash targeted David's brother Jack, the newest Starman, and all of Opal City for a reign of terror. She kidnapped and drugged Jack, conceiving his child without his knowledge. When Jack learned the truth, his child had already been born. The Mist's atrocities included the murders of Amazing Man II, Blue Devil, and the Crimson Fox.

Nash subsequently introduced [illegible] precursor to killing the young h[illegible] Instead, she herself died, sla[illegible] by her own insane father an[illegible] reclaimed the mantle of th[illegible] M[illegible] Jack took custody of his s[illegible] [illegible] hopes that the toddler does not favor his psychotic mother. SB



Mister America

First appearance ACTION COMICS #54 (June 1938)
Status Hero ***Real name*** Tex Thomson
Occupation Adventurer ***Base*** Mobile
Height 5ft 9in ***Weight*** 175 lbs ***Eyes*** Blue ***Hair*** Black
Special powers/abilities No superpowers, but a well-above-average hand-to-hand combatant with enormous courage and resourcefulness.

Wealthy adventurer Tex Thomson and his pal Bob Daley discovered the mysterious Sealed City and a one-eyed man who claimed to be its ruler, the Gorrah. After months of terror, including the destabilization of small countries, the Gorrah crossed paths with Thomson and Daley in Turkey. After [illegible] defeat the villain faked his death. Later Thomson assumed the costumed identity of Mr. America and once more crossed paths with the Gorrah. The one-eyed villain was finally killed by one of his own grenades. Some time later, Harry's friend Jane "Peggy" Maloney accompanied them as Miss X. Presumed dead in a shipping disaster, Thomson secretly returned as the saboteur-hunting mystery man Mister America, later joined by Bob in the guise of Fat Man. In 1941 Tex headed overseas to pose as a Nazi officer while sabotaging Axis efforts as the Americommando. Seemingly killed in 1945, Tex Thomson later founded the [illegible] Hellfire. Trey Thompson took his place until murdered by Vandal Savage. Jeffrey Graves is the third, and current, Mister America. RG

Mister Atom

First appearance CAPTAIN MARVEL ADVENTURES #78 (November 1947)
Status Mindless automaton ***Real name*** None
Occupation Tool of evil ***Base*** Mobile
Height 10ft ***Weight*** 1,214 lbs ***Eyes*** Photocellular ***Hair*** None
Special powers/abilities Atomic-powered robot; massively strong; can fire nuclear blasts from hands; nearly indestructible; capable of flight.

Mister Atom is the incongruously cheery name applied to the truly menacing nuclear-fueled robot built by government scientist Dr. [illegible] Langley. The towering atomic man contains a miniature nuclear [illegible] that gives it various incredible p[illegible]ding the ability to fly and to release bolts of lethal energy. Mister Atom also possesses an [illegible] impervious to attack from most superpowered beings.

Several years ago the Venusian worm Mister Mind attempted to overthrow the U.S. government by taking possession of White House agent Sarge Steel. Mister Mind compelled Steel to send Mister Atom to the Fawcett City suburb of Fairfield, where the robot detonated a nuclear bomb. The explosion leveled the town and killed thousands. The teaming of Mister Mind and Mister Atom during this incident is considered the second incarnation of the Monster Society of Evil. DW

MISTER E

FIRST APPEARANCE SECRETS OF HAUNTED HOUSE #31 (Dec. 1980)
STATUS Villain **REAL NAME** Erik (last name unrevealed)
OCCUPATION Destroyer of supernatural evil; historian **BASE** Boston
HEIGHT 6ft 3in **WEIGHT** 190 lbs
EYES Blue **HAIR** Black, white at temples
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Can time-travel at will; claims to be able to see good or evil within a person; carries a thick wooden cane.

As a boy Mister E was simply known as Erik, a child whose eyes were scooped out with a spoon by his insane father, who would rather Erik be blind than be sinful. [illegible] Traumatized by the abuse, Erik became the enigmatic Mister E, an adult both [illegible] [illegible] the Hunter [illegible] to become Earth's greatest [illegible] magician [illegible] the world. E at first believed it better to kill him than risk Earth's fate. However, after facing the Tim [illegible] a being who manipulated the events of his youth leading to his own blinding, E [illegible] to kill Tim. Paradoxically this [illegible] the cycle of abuse begun by Erik's father. Mister E regained his sight [illegible] that supernatural [illegible] SB

MISTER FREEZE *See opposite page*

MISTER MIND

FIRST APPEARANCE CAPTAIN MARVEL ADVENTURES #26 (August 1943)
STATUS Villain **REAL NAME** Unknown
OCCUPATION Criminal mastermind **BASE** Mobile
LENGTH 2in **WEIGHT** 5 oz **EYES** Black **HAIR** None
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES One of the planet's most formidable telepaths, though his physical strength is negligible.

[illegible] keep space when [illegible] took custody of Mr [illegible]

[illegible] mental control of [illegible] of the Mister [illegible] Fawcett [illegible] Mister [illegible] helps [illegible] by [illegible]

ESCAPING SCOTT FREE [illegible] Mister Miracle [illegible]

GETTING FREE [illegible] Big Barda have found themselves in a spot of bother

MISTER MIRACLE

FIRST APPEARANCE MISTER MIRACLE (1st series) #1 (April 1971)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Scott Free
OCCUPATION Escapologist; adventurer **BASE** Mobile
HEIGHT 6ft **WEIGHT** 185 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Black
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Expert fighter, master escape artist. Mother Box incorporated into costume. Aero Discs for flight; multi-cube fires laser beams, emits sonic vibrations, or releases strong cable.

Mister Miracle is the son of HIGHFATHER of NEW GENESIS, once the leader of the NEW GODS. As an infant, he was exchanged with DARKSEID's son ORION as part of a truce between the warring worlds of New Genesis and Apokolips. He was reared in one of the gulag-like orphanages run by the hateful GRANNY GOODNESS, who [illegible] "Scott Free." Despite her attempts to turn Scott into another mindless minion of Darkseid, Scott remained incorruptible. He often broke out of the orphanage, joining the insurgent HIMON as well as BIG BARDA, leader of the FEMALE FURIES.

Scott escaped Apokolips and journeyed to Earth, where he encountered escape artist Thaddeus Brown, known as Mister Miracle, and Oberon, Brown's manager. When Brown was murdered, Scott became Mister Miracle and brought the killers to justice. Scott reunited with Barda, who had also slipped from Granny's grasp. They wed and continued to thwart Darkseid's schemes on Earth. Mister Miracle joined the JUSTICE LEAGUE OF AMERICA and remains an auxiliary member. Shilo Norman, the second Mister Miracle, served with the SEVEN SOLDIERS OF VICTORY. Scott Free recently suffered the loss of his wife, Barda. SB

MISTER FREEZE

FIRST APPEARANCE BATMAN #121 (February 1959)
STATUS Villain **REAL NAME** Victor Fries
OCCUPATION Professional criminal **BASE** Gotham City
HEIGHT 6ft **WEIGHT** 190 lbs **EYES** Icy blue **HAIR** White
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Victor has a vast intellect but has subsumed it in favor of brute force, using his Freeze Gun and super-cooling armor to get what he wants.

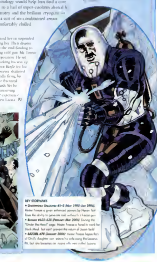
COLD HANDS, WARM HEART *Nora loved the winter and he idolized her, making her illness and subsequent death all the more heartwrenching.*

[illegible] is just the tip of the iceberg. To escape the pressures of his brutal father young Victor developed an unusual hobby: freezing animals. He thought he was preserving his pets forever, but his father saw things otherwise and sent the boy for counseling. The psychiatrist viewed this freezing tendency as Victor's way of controlling his world. Isolated and ridiculed at school and college, Victor believed he would never know the warm touch of humanity. Then came Nora, the beautiful athlete who stole his heart. They married and when his beloved was stricken with a rare malady Fries left his teaching post to work for drugs company Gothcorp, hoping their technology would help him find a cure. Exposure to a bath of super-coolants altered his body chemistry and the brilliant cryogenicist now wears a suit of air-conditioned armor to remain comfortably chilled.

FROSTY RECEPTION [illegible]

CHILD AS ICE

Desperate to save Nora, Victor had placed her in suspended animation to halt the disease consuming her. Then disaster struck: Gothcorp decided to deny him the vital funding to save Nora's life. Wielding an ice-blasting cold gun, Mr. Freeze avenged himself upon the soulless corporation. He set about killing Gothcorp executives, working his way up the organization and saving C.E.O. Ferris Boyle for last. A resulting clash with the Batman, however, shattered his hopes for Nora's recovery. Accidentally firing his cold gun at Nora's cryochamber, Freeze fractured her slumbering body into a million shards. Yet he still found a way for Nora to live by immersing her in a Lazarus Pit. Unfortunately the experience transformed her into the insane villainess Lazara. PJ



TIME AND AGAIN *[illegible] Batman's most dangerous opponents.*

KEY STORYLINES
- ***UNDERWORLD UNLEASHED #1–3 (NOV 1995–JAN 1996):*** Mister Freeze is given enhanced powers by Neron, but loses the ability to generate cold without his freeze gun.
- ***BATMAN #633–638 (FEBRUARY–MAY 2005):*** During the "Under the Hood" saga, Mister Freeze is forced to work for Black Mask, but can't prevent the return of Jason Todd.
- ***BATGIRL #70 (JANUARY 2006):*** Mister Freeze hopes Ra's al Ghul's daughter can restore his wife using the Lazarus Pit, but she becomes an insane villainess called Lazara.

MISTER MXYZPTLK

FIRST APPEARANCE (historic) SUPERMAN (1st series) #30 (October 1944) (current) SUPERMAN (2nd series) #11 (November 1987)
STATUS Villain **REAL NAME** Unpronounceable
OCCUPATION Little devil **BASE** Fifth Dimensional world of Zrfff
HEIGHT 3ft 9in **WEIGHT** 59 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** White
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Beings from Zrfff possess shape-changing abilities and other "magical" powers that can transform animate and inanimate objects into other forms, usually on a temporary basis.

[illegible] Mxyzptlk [illegible] The imp [illegible] Superman [illegible]. The fifth dimensional Mxyzptlk [illegible] the physical laws of the [illegible] human [illegible] Mxyzptlk employs an [illegible], an easy feat [illegible] material [illegible] Mxyzptlk's first [illegible] on Earth [illegible] *Daily Planet* building in Metropolis. He then [illegible] Lois Lane (see [illegible]

METROPOLIS MAD The Mxyzptlk [illegible]

SHAPE CHANGER [illegible]

[illegible] Mxyzptlk reappeared [illegible] Superman [illegible] which stunned the imp in an attempt [illegible] **RG**

MISTER NOBODY

FIRST APPEARANCE DOOM PATROL (2nd series) #26 (September 1989)
STATUS Villain (deceased) **REAL NAME** Morden (first name unrevealed)
OCCUPATION Former scientist; cult leader **BASE** Mobile
HEIGHT 5ft 8in **WEIGHT** 0 lbs **EYES** Red **HAIR** None
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES An abstract man who lived in a pseudo dimensional state; could psychically induce a state of playful anarchy in other human beings; his powers are not inherently destructive.

After double-crossing the Brotherhood of Evil (see SECRETS OF SIN), the greatest enemies of the DOOM PATROL, a man known only as Mister Morden fled to Paraguay to escape the Brotherhood's wrath. There he met a Nazi war criminal, Doctor Bruckner, who promised to turn him into a new man. Morden was locked in a room that simulated an infinity of white space stretching in all directions. Driven insane and injected with serums that transformed his body, Morden became Mister Nobody. He gathered a crew of outcasts and, pledging to celebrate the absurdity of life, called his cadre the BROTHERHOOD OF DADA.

The Brotherhood stole a mystic painting that devoured worlds and attempted to consume Paris with it, but the Doom Patrol stopped them just in time. For a time Mister Nobody chose to live in the painting, until he returned to the normal world and gathered a new Brotherhood of Dada, who then went on a nationwide tour to promote insanity. At one rally Mister Nobody attempted to use the crowd's focused mental energies and the painting's power to unravel reality. After a battle between the military, the Doom Patrol, and the Brotherhood, Mister Nobody was turned back into his human form and killed, having been accidentally impaled on a rusty pole. **PJ**

MISTER SCARLET

FIRST APPEARANCE WOW COMICS #1 (Winter 1940–1)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Brian Butler
OCCUPATION Adventurer; district attorney **BASE** Mobile
HEIGHT 6ft **WEIGHT** 192 lbs **EYES** Brown **HAIR** Brown
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Skilled acrobat and hand-to-hand combatant.

Brian Butler worked as a district attorney but became frustrated by the limitations of the legal system. He decided to pull on a bright red, white, and [illegible] bodysuit and fight crime as Mister Scarlet, "the [illegible] figure all criminals fear." His secretary Miss Wade helped Butler to preserve his secret identity while his young ward Pinky decided to join in the gang-busting game as Mister Scarlet's [illegible]. During their career, Mister Scarlet and Pinky [illegible] crooks to the slaughter, including the [illegible] Crime College. In fact, the Scarlet Scourge became so successful as a vigilante that crime soon dwindled down to practically nothing, and Brian Butler had to temporarily leave the legal profession for lack of work! Mister Scarlet eventually retired from the super hero game and Pinky has since assumed the guise of Mister Scarlet II in his stead. **DW**

MISTER TERRIFIC I

FIRST APPEARANCE SENSATION COMICS #1 (January 1942)
STATUS Hero (deceased) **REAL NAME** Terry Sloane
OCCUPATION Businessman, teacher **BASE** Boston, New York City
HEIGHT 5ft 11in **WEIGHT** 175 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Blond
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Was a masterful hand-to-hand combatant; had genius-level IQ.

Terry Sloane was a child genius who graduated from high school by age 14 and completed Harvard by age 12. Becoming an Olympic medalist and millionaire businessman during the Great Depression, Sloane grew suicidal when he believed he had nothing left to attain. After he saved the life of a young woman whose brother had become involved with the mob, Sloane found the challenge he needed. Donning a colorful costume, Sloane became Mister Terrific and stamped out the mob's influence.

During World War II, Mister Terrific joined the JUSTICE SOCIETY OF AMERICA and the ALL-STAR SQUADRON. Retiring years later, Sloane became a professor at Gateway University [illegible] his arch-enemy the Spirit King. [illegible] Victoria inherited [illegible] fortune and became [illegible] the nefarious [illegible] owner ROULETTE. PJ

FAIR PLAY [illegible] Mister Terrific [illegible] number [illegible]

MISTER TERRIFIC II

FIRST APPEARANCE THE SPECTRE (3rd series) #54 (June 1997)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Michael Holt
OCCUPATION Adventurer, retired electronics engineer and financier; currently a security adviser for [illegible] **BASE** New York City
HEIGHT 6ft 2in **WEIGHT** 215 lbs **EYES** Brown **HAIR** Black
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Olympic-level athlete and hard-hitting fighter; T-Spheres: floating devices of Holt's own design gather information and project holograms.

Michael Holt's [illegible] home [illegible] Later he [illegible] and wealthy. However, Holt's [illegible] was shattered when his wife [illegible] in a car crash. Distraught, he thought of committing suicide. The [illegible] making Holt reconsider his purpose in life. He became inspired by the example of MISTER TERRIFIC, fighting to win over inner-city kids who risked ruining their lives in petty crime. As MISTER TERRIFIC II, he joined the JUSTICE SOCIETY OF AMERICA, becoming team chairman. During the Infinite Crisis, Holt participated in the assault on the Brother Eye satellite. He later became [illegible] Kings Bishop in CHECKMATE and eventually the White King. Mister Terrific continued to lead the JSA until surrendering chairmanship to POWER GIRL. SB

PACKS A PUNCH Michael Holt [illegible] hard-hitting [illegible]

MISTER WHO

FIRST APPEARANCE MORE FUN COMICS #73 (November 1941)
STATUS Villain **REAL NAME** Unrevealed
OCCUPATION Scientist **BASE** Mobile
HEIGHT 5ft 5in **WEIGHT** 145 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** None
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Solution Z let him escape his body's prison; able to change size and shape at will.

Mister Who was born a hopeless cripple and [illegible] growing up. As a scientist he [illegible] Solution Z [illegible] most adaptive [illegible] Mister Who [illegible] RG

SOUND AND FURY Despite [illegible] shape-changing [illegible] formidable opponent for the [illegible] and the first Green Lantern, Alan Scott.

MISTER ZSASZ

FIRST APPEARANCE BATMAN: SHADOW OF THE BAT #1 (June 1992)
STATUS Villain **REAL NAME** Victor Zsasz
OCCUPATION Serial killer **BASE** Gotham City
HEIGHT 5ft 8in **WEIGHT** 150 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Blond
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Skilled with a knife and possesses a brilliant criminal mind; a totally ruthless psychopath who takes a sadistic delight in killing; can appear chillingly normal.

[illegible] Mister Zsasz has killed [illegible] [illegible] DW

MOCKINGBIRD

FIRST APPEARANCE SECRET SIX #1 (May 1968)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Carlo di Rienzi
OCCUPATION Inventor of Secret Six **BASE** Chevy Chase, Maryland
HEIGHT 6ft 2in **WEIGHT** 175 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** White
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Skilled magician; possesses a talent for manipulating the actions of others.

Mockingbird [illegible] the clandestine overseer [illegible] the Secret Six [illegible] whose [illegible] Mockingbird [illegible] Dr. August [illegible] U.S. government had compelled [illegible] Mockingbird [illegible] [illegible] Mockingbird [illegible] DW

MONARCH

FIRST APPEARANCE ARMAGEDDON 2001 #1 (May 1991)
STATUS Villain **REAL NAME** Nathaniel Adam
OCCUPATION Would-be world conqueror **BASE** Mobile
HEIGHT 6ft 4in **WEIGHT** 456 lbs (in armor) **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Brown
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Armor includes a panoply of weapons and [illegible] systems; possesses space- and time-warping powers.

Hank Hall [illegible] Order [illegible] Hawk and Dove. When [illegible] killed Hawk [illegible] Hank [illegible] Monarch [illegible] Monarch [illegible] Battles [illegible] [illegible] SB

MON-EL (VALOR)

FIRST APPEARANCE SUPERBOY #89 (June 1961)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Lar Gand
OCCUPATION Legionnaire **BASE** Earth
HEIGHT 6ft 1in **WEIGHT** 165 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Black
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Under a yellow sun: superstrength, superspeed, enhanced hearing, freezing breath, heat, telescopic and microscopic vision; invulnerability; and the power of flight.

[illegible] Clark [illegible] Mon-El [illegible] Phantom Zone.

Mon-El [illegible] Mon-El inside the Phantom Zone [illegible] helped him escape and [illegible] Mon-El, however [illegible] more than a thousand years. In [illegible] Brainiac 5 of the Legion of Super-Heroes discovered a way to remove Mon-El from his Phantom Zone confinement. The newly-freed and [illegible] went on a rampage against [illegible] until calmed by the Legionnaires, who also [illegible] Mon-El [illegible] Wanderers under Mekt Ranzz [illegible] LEGION [illegible] and helped prevent an invasion of Earth by the alien Dominators. DW

LASHING OUT [illegible]

THE WANDERER [illegible] the Dominator homeworld.

MONGREL

First appearance HAWKMAN (2nd series) Annual #1 (1993)
Status Hero **Real name** Josh Xen
Occupation Adventurer **Base** Mobile
Height 5ft 10in **Weight** 160 lbs **Eyes** Brown **Hair** Black
Special powers/abilities Can fire devastating bolts of darkforce energy from his hands.

[illegible] teenager Josh X[illegible] his [illegible] during [illegible] attacked him [illegible] his latent [illegible] Vietnamese [illegible] had [illegible] New [illegible] he had kept [illegible] which [illegible] Under the [illegible] Mongrel [illegible] powers [illegible] HAWKMAN and other [illegible] Bloodlines [illegible]

Mongrel [illegible] superpowers [illegible] alien invasion [illegible] triggered [illegible] a small group [illegible] youths [illegible] called the New Blood [illegible] together [illegible] US government [illegible] the Blood Pack [illegible] After the [illegible] defeat Mongrel [illegible] **DW**

MONGUL

First appearance ADVENTURES OF SUPERMAN #454 (April 1980)
Status Villain (deceased) **Real name** Mongul
Occupation Despotic conqueror **Base** Warworld
Height 7ft 9in **Weight** 1,135 lbs **Eyes** Red **Hair** None
Special powers/abilities Mongul possessed, as his children do, vast superhuman strength and are nearly impervious to bodily harm; commander of an entire army of gladiators on his mobile Warworld.

[illegible] Superman [illegible] of Warworld [illegible] Coast City [illegible] power by the [illegible] When the [illegible] killed him [illegible] of Intergang [illegible] arrival of the [illegible] the Man of [illegible] to liberate [illegible] was slain by [illegible] murderous [illegible]

MONGUL II [illegible] to take his revenge [illegible] the despot father's [illegible]

GLADIATORIAL COMBAT [illegible] Superman [illegible] in the [illegible] killed the [illegible]

MONGAL The [illegible] formed [illegible] with [illegible] alien ally [illegible] the Emperor [illegible] Super[illegible] later [illegible] battle

A SON'S REVENGE [illegible] to [illegible] who [illegible]

MONITORS, THE

FIRST APPEARANCE (The Monitor) THE NEW TEEN TITANS (1st series) #21 (July 1982) **STATUS** Hero (deceased) **REAL NAME** None
OCCUPATION Surveyor and Protector of the Multiverse **BASE** Satellite
HEIGHT Variable **WEIGHT** Variable **EYES** White **HAIR** Black
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES His greatest weapon was the knowledge he gleaned by watching the superhumans on infinite Earths

THE COUNCIL [illegible]

Billions [illegible] started [illegible] ked in the [illegible] singular [illegible] evil the [illegible] realm the M[illegible] guardian [illegible] the anti-matter [illegible] the Crisis [illegible] assembled [illegible] and space [illegible] into pe[illegible] and the [illegible]

During th[illegible] appeared [illegible] Monitors [illegible] a threat [illegible] DW

MONSTER SOCIETY OF EVIL

FIRST APPEARANCE CAPTAIN MARVEL ADVENTURES #22 (March 1943)
STATUS Villain team **BASE** Mobile
MEMBERS AND POWERS
Nyola Magical control over the weather
Ramulus Mental control over vegetation
Oom the Mighty Superstrength
Mister Who Superstrength
The Dummy Carries an energy-firing cane
Mister Mind Formidable telepath
Mister Atom Can fire nuclear blasts; possesses armored shell

The Monster Society [illegible] had [illegible] planets [illegible] despicable [illegible] well into the future. The first Monster Society [illegible] took shape during the [illegible] assembled the worldwide [illegible] Mister Who and the [illegible] New York City headquarters [illegible] America. Beaten back [illegible] the Monster Society [illegible]

Another grouping of the Monster Society [illegible] decades later [illegible] Mister Mind and the [illegible] Mister Atom. Using his telepathic powers [illegible] White House [illegible] Mister Mind [illegible] to launch the Mister Atom robot at the [illegible] of Fairfield. The nuclear detonation [illegible] killing Billy Batson's adoptive parents [illegible] Billy [illegible] Mister Mind [illegible] DW

MONOCLE, THE

FIRST APPEARANCE FLASH COMICS #64 (April–May 1945)
STATUS Villain (deceased) **REAL NAME** Jonathan Cheval
OCCUPATION Professional criminal **BASE** New York City
HEIGHT 5ft 11in **WEIGHT** 175 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Black
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Lens weapons can project light, heat, X-rays, lasers, and cosmic rays

The Monocle began [illegible] Jonathan Cheval, a brilliant [illegible] skilled in the grinding and polishing of lenses. Financial ruin triggered a bout of criminal [illegible] and Cheval used his [illegible] optics to build [illegible] based weapons. Now [illegible] eyepieces that could [illegible] energy beams, Cheval went [illegible] supervillain business as [illegible] Monocle, frequently clashing [illegible] HAWKMAN. In between [illegible] prison [illegible] SOCIETY [illegible] both the [illegible] and the JUSTICE LEAGUE [illegible] a loose partnership with [illegible] but that new stage of [illegible] with Kate [illegible] the Monocle lost his life. DW

MONSIEUR MALLAH

FIRST APPEARANCE THE DOOM PATROL (1st series) #86 (March 1964)
STATUS Villain **REAL NAME** None
OCCUPATION Would-be world conqueror **BASE** Mobile
HEIGHT 6ft 3in **WEIGHT** 345 lbs **EYES** Brown **HAIR** Brown
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES An above-average gorilla in terms of size and strength; possesses human intelligence

Ten years before [illegible] a large gorilla that was strong [illegible] than most others of its species. Through a [illegible] of secret teaching methods, shock treatments, and other experimental methods, the gorilla's I.Q. was raised to 178. The gorilla learned to speak English and French among other languages and took the name Monsieur Mallah. When the scientist died, Mallah, following instructions, removed the scientist's brain from his body and placed it inside a specially designed receptacle. A bizarre partnership had been born. The Brain and Monsieur Mallah formed the Brotherhood of Evil (SOCIETY OF SIN) and tried to take over the [illegible] In their way stood Niles Caulder's DOOM PATROL (see FREAKS) and later the TEEN TITANS. After [illegible] the Brain and Monsieur Mallah were seemingly killed in an explosion following an attempt to insert the Brain into one of Cliff Steele's ROBOTMAN bodies. Both [illegible] but both apparently died [illegible] during Operation Salvation Run. RG

MONTOYA, RENEE

FIRST APPEARANCE DETECTIVE COMICS #644 (May 1992)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Renee Montoya
OCCUPATION Police Detective **BASE** Gotham City
HEIGHT 5ft 8in **WEIGHT** 144 lbs **EYES** Brown **HAIR** Black
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Dedicated crimefighter of great integrity, an expert martial artist and markswoman.

[illegible] from the [illegible] Montoya further [illegible] command [illegible] Gordon [illegible] JAMES [illegible] Dr. Sarah Essen [illegible] Montoya her detective [illegible]. Detective Montoya's loyalty to Gordon was evident during Gotham City's [illegible] No Man's Land period when she remained in the quake-ravaged city to help restore order. At this time, Montoya encountered Harvey Dent (TWO-FACE) who developed a romantic obsession with her. Montoya rejoined the G.C.P.D. but left after the [illegible] of her partner Crispus Allen ([illegible]). She sank into depression and alcoholism, only emerging [illegible] Vic Sage, the QUESTION, [illegible] an intriguing plot to take [illegible] Gotham City. While fighting by Sage's side she reconnected with the [illegible] had once been, and rekindled a romance with Kate Kane, the new BATWOMAN.

BECOMING THE BEST
[illegible] Richard Dragon [illegible]

[illegible] SB/DW

CRIME BUST
[illegible] Montoya [illegible] the fanatics she [illegible]

MONSTRESS

FIRST APPEARANCE LEGION OF SUPER-HEROES (4th series) #82 (July 1996)
STATUS Hero (deceased) **REAL NAME** Candi Pyparrie La Parc III
OCCUPATION Legionnaire **BASE** 31st-century Earth
HEIGHT 6ft 4in **WEIGHT** 415 lbs **EYES** Pale orange **HAIR** Orange
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Vast superstrength coupled with virtual invulnerability made her a formidable opponent.

A [illegible] on the planet Xanthu, [illegible] that her father [illegible] unpowered work [illegible] exploded in one of the plant's [illegible] radically altered and the [illegible] giantess. Despite her jovial personality, Monstress [illegible] now called herself felt like a misfit. She felt this [illegible] same even after becoming a [illegible] of the Uncanny Amazers, Xanthu's [illegible]. Along with fellow Amazer KID QUANTUM and STAR BOY, Monstress was recruited by the [illegible] SUPER-HEROES after a battle [illegible] sorcerer Mordru the DARK [illegible].

After the [illegible] attacked the [illegible] Monstress and ten Legionnaires [illegible] transported to the far side of the [illegible] through a temporal rift in space. [illegible] Monstress was killed by the [illegible] had once been her fellow Legionnaire [illegible] ELEMENT LAD. PJ

MOONRIDER, MARK

FIRST APPEARANCE FOREVER PEOPLE (1st series) #1 (March 1971)
STATUS Hero (deceased) **REAL NAME** Mark Moonrider **OCCUPATION** Adventurer **BASE** New Genesis **HEIGHT** 5ft 11in **WEIGHT** 412 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Black **SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES** His megaton touch creates a range of disruptions from a severe shock to a massive explosion. Further effects have yet to be recorded.

Mark Moonrider [illegible] the New Gods [illegible] his friends [illegible] BIG BEAR, BEAUTIFUL DREAMER, VYKIN and SERIFAN [illegible] FOREVER PEOPLE.

When DARKSEID kidnapped Beautiful Dreamer, Mark [illegible] Darkseid [illegible] Moonrider [illegible] among the casualties during [illegible] the New Gods [illegible]. RG

MORDECAI

FIRST APPEARANCE CHRONOS #1 (March 1998)
STATUS Ally **REAL NAME** None
OCCUPATION Robotic servant **BASE** Chronopolis
HEIGHT 7ft **WEIGHT** 412 lbs **EYES** Gray **HAIR** None
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Highly advanced computer brain, enhanced android strength.

[illegible] Mordecai [illegible] is presumably [illegible] the agelesss [illegible]. DW

MORGAINE LE FEY

FIRST APPEARANCE THE DEMON (1st series) #1 (Sept. 1972)
STATUS Villain (deceased) **REAL NAME** Morgaine Le Fey
OCCUPATION Sorceress **BASE** Mobile
HEIGHT 5ft 10in **WEIGHT** 136 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Black
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES One of the most powerful sorceresses who ever lived; was able to project mystical energy bolts, read minds, teleport, and harness ambient magics.

The half-sister of King Arthur, Morgaine Le Fey invaded Camelot, [illegible] to be confronted by Etrigan, the DEMON controlled by Merlin. Merlin gave Etrigan a page from his Eternity Book and [illegible] that Morgaine's beauty [illegible] if she ever found [illegible] of the book. Merlin and [illegible] fled, leaving Morgaine [illegible] a wizened old crone. [illegible] century, the decrepit [illegible] sought out the Demon [illegible] Merlin hoping to restore her [illegible]. She was betrayed by a [illegible] turned into a mummy. Morgaine escaped and then tried to possess WONDER WOMAN's immortal energy. But Wonder Woman had already forsaken her immortality. Morgaine's spell backfired, and the sorceress crumbled to dust. PJ

IMMORTAL BELOVED [illegible]

THE END [illegible]

MORGAN, JENNIFER

FIRST APPEARANCE WARLORD #38 (October 1980)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Lady Jennifer Morgan
OCCUPATION Sorceress **BASE** Skartaris
HEIGHT 5ft 6in **WEIGHT** 132 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** White
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Mystic powers include projection of bolts of energy, time travel, and suspension of foes in force-field bubbles.

[illegible] dimensional savage world of Skartaris, Jennifer Morgan met [illegible] Morgan [illegible] became Skartaris' [illegible] magical powers [illegible] Warlord's [illegible] savage [illegible] Skartaris [illegible] her became the [illegible] world. The evil Atlantean [illegible] VILLAINY [illegible] assault upon Skartaris [illegible] of WONDER WOMAN [illegible] her father [illegible] Skartaris [illegible] by Chaos [illegible]. SB

MORTALLA

FIRST APPEARANCE ORION #6 (November 2000)
STATUS Villain (deceased) **REAL NAME** Mortalla
OCCUPATION Hand of Death **BASE** Apokolips
HEIGHT 5ft 11in **WEIGHT** 175 lbs **EYES** Blue
HAIR Red
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Mortalla's touch can kill and she defeats opponents more through fear than with any natural fighting talent.

On the planet Apokolips [illegible] DESAAD [illegible] Darkseid [illegible] Apokolips [illegible] Darkseid [illegible] Mortalla. She [illegible] During the Death of the [illegible] Mortalla perished at the hands [illegible]. RG

MOUTHPIECE

FIRST APPEARANCE POLICE COMICS #1 (August 1941)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Bill Perkins
OCCUPATION Costumed vigilante **BASE** New York City
HEIGHT 6ft **WEIGHT** 190 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** White
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Skilled brawler and marksman, above-average detective and expert in criminal law, and handy with a javelin.

Bill Perkins became a [illegible] Mouthpiece [illegible] the Mouthpiece [illegible] the villain [illegible] Perkins [illegible] Mouthpiece [illegible] the 1980s [illegible]. DW

MURMUR

FIRST APPEARANCE THE FLASH: IRON HEIGHTS (October 2001)
STATUS Villain **REAL NAME** Michael Christian Amar
OCCUPATION Surgeon **BASE** Keystone City
HEIGHT 5ft 8in **WEIGHT** 155 lbs **EYES** Brown **HAIR** Gray
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Possesses no superhuman powers however, is an expert surgeon who uses various knives and blades to brutally murder his victims and cut out their tongues.

[illegible]

Saint [illegible]

MUSKETEER

FIRST APPEARANCE DETECTIVE COMICS #215 (January 1955)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Unrevealed
OCCUPATION Adventurer **BASE** Paris, France
HEIGHT 5ft 9in **WEIGHT** 180 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Black
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES An expert swordsman and agile athlete the masked Musketeer preferred to dazzle opponents with his swashbuckling swordplay than engage in close combat or fisticuffs.

A former hero of the French Résistance during World War II, the Musketeer (in [illegible]) was [illegible] international heroes inspired by the Justice Society of America to don masks and fight crime during the 1950s. As the British Knight and Squire, the Argentinian Gaucho, [illegible] Swedish Wingman, and the Australian Ranger took to the streets to combat corruption and villainy in their countries following World War II, so the patriotic Musketeer quickly became a hero across France, basing himself in Paris.

When the mysterious Doctor Mist asked the non-Communist European powers to create a multinational super-hero organization, the Musketeer and his companions were among its founding members. Called the Dome, the organization was based in France. Garbed in the livery of a 17th-century French Musketeer, as made famous by the author Alexandre Dumas in his novel *The Three Musketeers*, the Musketeer was an expert swordsman and marksman. After a decade of swashbuckling derring-do, the Musketeer vanished from the streets of Paris, never to be seen again. The final fate of the Musketeer, or even his true identity, have yet to be revealed. **RG/PJ**

MUSASHI

FIRST APPEARANCE JUSTICE LEAGUE INTERNATIONAL #63 (April 1994)
STATUS Villain (deceased) **REAL NAME** Unrevealed
OCCUPATION Samurai **BASE** Kobe, Japan
HEIGHT 5ft 10in **WEIGHT** 175 lbs **EYES** Brown **HAIR** Black
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Formidable martial arts warrior; expert in the fighting skills of the samurai.

The deadly [illegible] Musashi belonged to [illegible] powerful [illegible] behind the [illegible] of the alien Overmaster [illegible] America through [illegible].

In pursuit of a data [illegible] the entire human race [illegible] a few [illegible] three [illegible] several Justice League [illegible]. This group were the so-called Extremists [illegible] Arrow, Black [illegible] and [illegible] the latter claiming Musashi as a member. Musashi and [illegible] committed to the [illegible] world [illegible] Justice League [illegible] Musashi [illegible] the Overmaster [illegible] The fate of Musashi [illegible]. **SB**

MYSTO

FIRST APPEARANCE Detective Comics #203 (January 1954)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Richard "Rick" Carter
OCCUPATION Magician; crime fighter **BASE** New York City
HEIGHT 6ft **WEIGHT** 195 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Black
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Master of illusion and sleight of hand; could make guns appear to turn into playing cards and often confounded crooks with smoke and mirrors.

Mysto [illegible] famous Magician [illegible] became active in the 1950s and is one of the standard bearers of an earlier [illegible] heroism. Before starting his costumed career, Rick Carter worked as a wildcat flier in the Far East. While piloting his plane above Tibet, Carter drove off a party of bandits [illegible] and the gratitude [illegible] a shriveled old man. From the old man Carter learned the secrets of illusion [illegible] magic—including the [illegible] and sleight [illegible] employed [illegible] Returning [illegible] U.S. [illegible] accompanied by the [illegible] Sikh [illegible] Mysto. After [illegible] attempt [illegible] crime fighting. **DW**

NABU

FIRST APPEARANCE MORE FUN COMICS #55 (May 1940)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Nabu
OCCUPATION Lord of Order **BASE** Mobile
HEIGHT/WEIGHT/EYES/HAIR Inapplicable
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES One of the most powerful beings on Earth, capable of mystic feats, including projecting mystic energy bolts, reading minds, and teleporting across the dimensions; immortal; possesses superhuman strength.

Nabu is a Lord of Order, a cosmic being who arrived on Earth nearly 4,000 years ago to take a proactive role in the war against Chaos. After engaging in many struggles in ancient Egypt and Sumeria, Nabu placed his body in suspended animation and his spirit in a golden helmet that would merge with whoever wore it. In 1940, Kent Nelson put on the helmet and so became Nabu's apprentice, the first DOCTOR FATE.

Nabu's personality supplanted Nelson's whenever the latter wore the helmet, so Nabu placed the spirits of Nelson and his wife Inza in the mystic Amulet of Anubis, assumed Kent's form, and chose a new disciple, Eric Strauss. Kent and Inza returned to the mortal world, both becoming Doctor Fate. However, after a battle with PARALLAX in which the Nelsons apparently died, the helmet and amulet were claimed [illegible]

NABU THE WISE [illegible] a human [illegible] though [illegible] more [illegible] Doctor Fate.

Nabu [illegible] test the [illegible] ... [illegible]

Through the Infinite Crisis, the Spectre's campaign against magic [illegible] brought about an end to the Ninth Age of Magic. [illegible] Nabu passed on the helmet of Doctor Fate to [illegible] PJ

AGENT OF ORDER Nabu [illegible] stops demons with [illegible] mystical [illegible] powers.

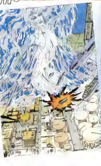
NEBULA MAN

FIRST APPEARANCE JUSTICE LEAGUE OF AMERICA (1st series) #100 (August 1972)
STATUS Villain **REAL NAME** None
OCCUPATION Celestial menace **BASE** Mobile
HEIGHT Variable **WEIGHT** Variable **EYES** White **HAIR** None
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Incalculable cosmic power

The Nebula Man [illegible] menace. His unknowable [illegible] nothing less than the planet Earth. [illegible] the Nebula Man first came into existence [illegible] villain known as the Hand [illegible] and poisoning the power [illegible] his fingers the Nebula Man threatened the planet with armageddon until opposed by the Seven Soldiers of Victory [illegible] the Himalayas. The heroes prevailed, but the [illegible] Wing [illegible] the rest became temporarily scattered across the [illegible] victims of the explosive energies of the Nebula Man's demise. More than a half-century later, the Nebula Man saw fresh life when his dormant essence [illegible] with [illegible] He reappeared [illegible] by the [illegible] with his secret [illegible] Nebula Bob [illegible] the Humanian [illegible] universe Qwewq. The Seven Soldiers [illegible] defeated the Nebula Man. DW

NAIAD

FIRST APPEARANCE FIRESTORM THE NUCLEAR MAN #90 (October 1989)
STATUS Inapplicable **REAL NAME** Mai Miyazaki
OCCUPATION Elemental force **BASE** Mobile
HEIGHT Inapplicable (5ft 4in as Mai) **WEIGHT** Variable (112 lbs as Mai) **EYES** Sea green (blue as Mai) **HAIR** None (black as Mai)
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Total mastery over water in all its forms.



Japanese radical environmentalist Mai Miyazaki believed in direct action. Mai sailed her boat Naiad into the storm-swept north Pacific to call attention to a leaking oil rig being abandoned by Shogun Oil. The rig's director ordered a crewman to fire a flare into the oily waters around Mai's boat, engulfing it in flames. Horribly burned, Mai jumped overboard. However, Earth's spirit MAYA offered Mai a chance of life as the planet's Water Elemental Naiad. Transformed into a living wall of water, Naiad swept over the oil rig, sparking the first Elemental War when FIRESTORM THE NUCLEAR MAN, then Earth's Fire Elemental, flew to the site to investigate. The epic conflict grew to include RED TORNADO, Air Elemental, SWAMP THING, and Plant Elemental, before Maya convinced the Elementals to leave her human children alone. Naiad rained destruction down on Shogun Oil once more but was stopped by the Spectre and SUPERMAN. Naiad [illegible] Earth's newest Fire Elemental [illegible] of the forces of nature to make peace [illegible] another. SB

COSMIC POWER The [illegible] Nebula Man [illegible] the universe.

NEGATIVE MAN

FIRST APPEARANCE MY GREATEST ADVENTURE #80 (June 1963)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Larry Trainor
OCCUPATION Test pilot **BASE** Midway City
HEIGHT 5ft 10.5in **WEIGHT** 180 lbs
EYES Blue **HAIR** Blond
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES An energy being is released from Trainor's body that has superstrength, superspeed, can pass through objects harmlessly, or cause anything it touches to burn or explode.

Larry Trainor was a pilot [illegible] who [illegible] to fly [illegible] space. The rocket [illegible] after a [illegible] Earth. [illegible] His body glowed with [illegible] energy. He also discovered he could manifest [illegible] energy being [illegible] with his mind.

After his rescue, Trainor met Niles Caulder, known as the Chief, who used a special material to bind Trainor's body so that he could contain the lethal radiation. Caulder then invited Trainor, now a social pariah, to join his Doom Patrol. Trainor thus became Negative Man and helped the Patrol fight crime [illegible].

MADAME ROUGE and GENERAL ZAHL tried to destroy the Doom Patrol by blowing them up, but Trainor survived the attack. His energy being escaped and briefly inhabited the body of Russian cosmonaut Valentina Vostok, who became NEGATIVE WOMAN. However, Trainor wanted his negative energy being back, and used the villain Reactron to help steal it back from Vostok. When the energy being emerged, it fused Trainor and his doctor [illegible] Poole into a single, radioactive being calling itself Rebis, who went on to join the Chief in the latest incarnation of the Doom Patrol. After the Infinite Crisis, Larry Trainor rejoined the Doom Patrol as Negative Man. PJ

NEGATIVE WOMAN

FIRST APPEARANCE SHOWCASE #94 (August 1977)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Lt. Col. Valentina Vostok
OCCUPATION Adventurer **BASE** Mobile, formerly Midway City
HEIGHT 5ft 5in **WEIGHT** 130 lbs
EYES Blue **HAIR** Blonde
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Currently inactive; once able to transform herself into a powerful negative energy being that could fly at nearly the speed of light and exist outside of her body for up to 60 seconds.

Attempting to defect [illegible] the U.S. to the U.S.S.R. aboard an experimental jet fighter, cosmonaut Valentina Vostok crashed near Cordsville, Maine. This was the very same little town the original Doom Patrol had died trying to save from MADAME ROUGE and GENERAL ZAHL. Vostok became possessed by the negative energy creature that had once transformed Larry Trainor into the Patrol's NEGATIVE MAN. Vostok became Negative Woman and also had to be swaddled in chemically treated bandages to survive. Negative Woman was soon recruited into a new Doom Patrol. Later, the villain Reactron stole her negative energies and returned them to Trainor, who had not died as originally believed. Vostok currently serves with the United Nations organization CHECKMATE, taking over for Amanda Waller [illegible] WALLER, AMANDA [illegible] White Queen. SB

NEMESIS

FIRST APPEARANCE THE BRAVE AND THE BOLD #166 (September 1980)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Tom Tresser
OCCUPATION Ex-government agent, spy **BASE** Mobile
HEIGHT 5ft 10in **WEIGHT** 170 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Black
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Skilled combatant; unrivaled master of disguise; handy with a gun.

Tom Tresser, the [illegible] greatest disguise artist, joined a government spy agency along with his brother Craig. [illegible] avenged his [illegible] brainwashed Craig [illegible] to [illegible] Council [illegible] scales of justice. Nemesis appeared to have been killed when he crashed [illegible] helicopter into the Council's [illegible]. However, he was rescued by [illegible] agents and became a member of the [illegible]. Tresser fell in love with NIGHTSHADE, who divided her [illegible] between him and Squad leader Rick Flag. [illegible] his time with the Squad [illegible] his disguises [illegible] killed [illegible]. [illegible] Nemesis escaped [illegible] CHECKMATE [illegible] Department of Metahuman Affairs under SARGE STEEL. He works closely with WONDER WOMAN in her guise as Diana Prince. DW

NEMESIS II

FIRST APPEARANCE JSA ANNUAL #1 (2000)
STATUS Hero (deceased) **REAL NAME** Sarah Mykes
OCCUPATION Assassin **BASE** England
HEIGHT 5ft 7in **WEIGHT** 145 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Black
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES The result of physical condition and scientific experimentation left Sarah with the ability to perfectly duplicate any fighting technique she encountered.

[illegible] the [illegible] RG

MEMORY Despite her [illegible]

NEON THE UNKNOWN

FIRST APPEARANCE Hit Comics #1 (1940)
STATUS Hero (deceased) **REAL NAME** Tom Corbett
OCCUPATION Former French Foreign Legionnaire **BASE** Mobile
HEIGHT 5ft 11in **WEIGHT** 167 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Black
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Was able to project powerful energy bolts from his hands and also fly

[illegible]

NERON

FIRST APPEARANCE Underworld Unleashed #1 (November 1995)
STATUS Villain **REAL NAME** Neron
OCCUPATION Soul-taking demon **BASE** Hell **HEIGHT** Variable
WEIGHT Variable **EYES** Variable **HAIR** Variable
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES A lord of lies, Neron possesses unspeakable mystic power and can alter his size and shape

[illegible] RG

NERGAL

FIRST APPEARANCE GREEN LANTERN ANNUAL 2nd series #V (September 2000) **STATUS** Villain **REAL NAME** None
OCCUPATION Ruler of the Underworld **BASE** Kurnugi
HEIGHT 6ft 6in **WEIGHT** 300 lbs **EYES** White **HAIR** Blond
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Immortal; mystical might derived from Oan technology, gleaned from eons wandering in space

[illegible] SB

NEUTRON

FIRST APPEARANCE Action Comics #525 (November 1981)
STATUS Villain **REAL NAME** Nat Tryon
OCCUPATION Criminal **BASE** Metropolis
HEIGHT 6ft 2in **WEIGHT** 184 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Black
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Releases withering atomic energy through his hands or by lifting the visor of his helmet

[illegible] DW

NEW GODS

HEROES OF THE FOURTH WORLD

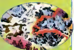
First appearance NEW GODS (1st series) #1 (March 1971)
Status Good and evil beings **Base** New Genesis and Apokolips
Notable new gods
See individual entries for powers and abilities.
Bekka, Big Barda, Black Racer, Darkseid, Doctor Bedlam, Esak (deceased), Fastbak, Forager I (deceased), Forager II, The Forever People, Glorious Godfrey, Highfather (deceased), Himon (deceased), Kalibak, Lightray, Lonar (deceased), Mantis, Metron, Mister Miracle, Orion, Takion, Tigra (deceased)

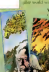
Long, long ago before man was even measured there existed a race of Old Gods whose world was split apart in a fiery holocaust, unleashing a coruscating "godwave" of energy that swept across the universe. This godwave empowered the Olympian Gods and gave rise to latter day human super heroes as it rebounded back and forth in continued but diminishing reverberation, seeding world after world with the potential for near omnipotent power.

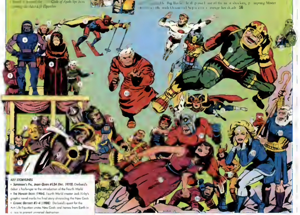
WAR OF THE WORLDS

[illegible] the power of the godwave infused the Old Gods [illegible] the planets New Genesis and Apokolips, collectively [illegible] Fourth World. New [illegible] home to the noble near immortal New Gods [illegible] harmony with their [illegible] planet. Conversely, the denizens of nearby Apokolips [illegible] cunning and cruel [illegible] evil. For millions of years New Genesis and Apokolips [illegible] waged war upon one [illegible] peace pact was negotiated with the exchange [illegible] the son of one [illegible] Apokolips ruler Darkseid [illegible] New Genesis [illegible] Earth in search of the Anti-Life Equation [illegible] universe.

[illegible] when a mysterious attacker [illegible] the Black Racer [illegible] among the [illegible] New Genesis [illegible] Source [illegible] the mystery and was the first [illegible] Darkseid [illegible] Big Barda [illegible] shocking [illegible] Mister [illegible] with Orion [illegible] avenge [illegible] **SB**







The New Gods: 1) Darkseid [illegible] 17) Mister Miracle [illegible] 20) Highfather [illegible] 22) Big Barda 23) Aria [illegible] 26) Steppenwolf 27) Bekka [illegible] the Fifth World of super [illegible] by the abundance of super [illegible] Gods of Apokolips [illegible] the Anti-Life Equation

KEY STORYLINES

- ***SUPERMAN'S PAL, JIMMY OLSEN #134 (DEC. 1970):*** Darkseid's debut: a harbinger to the introduction of the Fourth World
- ***THE HUNGER DOGS (1984):*** Fourth World creator Jack Kirby's graphic novel marks his final story chronicling the New Gods
- ***COSMIC ODYSSEY #1–4 (1988):*** Darkseid's quest for the Anti-Life Equation unites New Gods and heroes from Earth in a race to prevent universal destruction

NEW GUARDIANS

FIRST APPEARANCE MILLENNIUM #8 (Summer 1987)
STATUS Hero team **BASE** South Africa
MEMBERS AND POWERS
Betty Clawman Spiritual being who lives in the Dreamtime
Extraño Magical and telepathic powers
Floro Can summon plant elementals from another dimension
Gloss Draws incredible power from "dragon lines" that mystically cross the Earth, giving her great strength and speed
Jet (deceased) Control of electromagnetic energy
Ram Electronic lifeform that can control computers
Tom Kalmaku Can become one with the world's positive essence
Harbinger Flight, powerblasts; can replicate into multiple bodies

Wh[illegible] G[illegible] Ust[illegible] and her Zam[illegible] [illegible] they [illegible] be[illegible] giving them pow[illegible] [illegible] them as the Chosen [illegible] [illegible] kind [illegible] evolution.

Wh[illegible] the Chosen Janwillem Kroef [illegible] world where the racially [illegible] humanity [illegible] After the two hybrids, called the New Order, were released from Kroef's dark thrall by a reluctant Tom Kalmaku (see KALMAKU, TOM), it was revealed that it was the hybrids who were the true Chosen. The New Guardians settled in Kroef's South African compound to teach the [illegible] hybrids the tru[illegible] Earth. **PJ**

THE CHOSEN [illegible] the globe, th[illegible] New [illegible] humanity [illegible]

KEY 1) [illegible] **2)** [illegible]
3) [illegible] **4)** [illegible]
5) [illegible] **6)** Harbinger

NIGHTBLADE

FIRST APPEARANCE GREEN LANTERN ANNUAL (2nd series) #2 (1993)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Nik Mayak
OCCUPATION Adventurer **BASE** Mobile
HEIGHT 5ft 11in **WEIGHT** 178 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Black
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Expert knife thrower; has regenerative powers that can regrow lost limbs.

Nik Mayak lost the use of his legs in a car crash that also caused the death of his father. While in hospital, he exercised his upper body by throwing small objects until he could hit a bull's-eye consistently. He would have spent his life as a paraplegic had alien parasites not attacked the hospital. When the aliens drank Mayak's spinal fluid, his latent regenerative powers kicked in and his legs healed. He learned that the aliens had killed his mother and sister and helped GREEN LANTERN Hal Jordan battle them. He later joined other "New Blood" heroes in the team BLOOD PACK, taking the name Nightblade and relying on throwing knives and his recuperative powers to combat the alien [illegible]. **DW**

NEWSBOY LEGION

FIRST APPEARANCE STAR SPANGLED COMICS #7 (April 1942) (Legion I); Superman Annual 2nd series #2 (1988) (Legion II) **STATUS** Hero team **BASE** Metropolis
MEMBERS (LEGION I)
Anthony "Big Words" Rodriguez, John "Gabby" Gabrielli, Patrick "Scrapper" MacGuire, Thomas "Tommy" Thompkins
MEMBERS (LEGION II)
Clones of the above, plus Roberto "Famous Bobby" Harper and Walter "Flip" Johnson. CHECK OK?

KEY 1) [illegible] Guardian **2)** Tommy
3) Flip **4)** Gabby
5) Big [illegible]
6) Scrapper

[illegible] Harper [illegible] the legal guardian of [illegible] of the Newsboy Legion. Harper [illegible] was the only way to ensure [illegible] orphaned boys would [illegible] a proper upbringing, as opposed to the rough, tough "school of hard knocks" [illegible] on the streets of Metropolis's Suicide Slum. [illegible] they were rescued by the blue and [illegible] champion known as the GUARDIAN. [illegible] the boys figured out Harper had been [illegible] for them both as a cop and a hero. [illegible] grew up, these kids from Suicide Slum [illegible] and created Project Cadmus [illegible] specializing in genetics. Cadmus [illegible] technology was later used to clone [illegible] Jim Harper, giving the Guardian a [illegible]

[illegible] takeover of Cadmus by the [illegible] State, the directors [illegible] cloned, thus giving birth to a [illegible] Flip [illegible] were [illegible] the same [illegible] the [illegible] Westfield, the Newsboys [illegible] Eventually, the clones' [illegible] tired from Cadmus, and the[illegible] Suicide Slum. They spent [illegible] working on a new design [illegible] Guardian's flying vehicle. Together the Guardian [illegible] Legion fought a plethora [illegible] aftermath of one [illegible] [illegible] their first [illegible] Harper's grandniece Roberta [illegible] nicknamed Famous Bobby. **RG**

GENERATIONS APART Regardless of generation, you can [illegible] Legion to find trouble and receive [illegible] Guardian.

NIGHT AND FOG

FIRST APPEARANCE ALL-STAR SQUADRON #46 (April 1985)
STATUS Villain team **REAL NAMES** Unrevealed
OCCUPATION Assassins **BASE** Nazi Germany
HEIGHT (Night) 5ft 5in (Fog) 5ft 9 1/2in **WEIGHT** (Night) 120 lbs, (Fog) 165 lbs **EYES** (Night) Blue (Fog) unrevealed
HAIR (Night) Black (Fog) gray
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Night projects sensory-depriving blackness from her hair. Fog transforms himself into a noxious, legible mist.

Night and Fog are siblings given superhuman powers by Nazi scientists soon after the December 1941 attack on Pearl Harbor. Known in Germany as Nacht und Nebel, the two assassins were sent on missions to kill various Nazi opponents using powers that were the literal realization of Adolf Hitler's Night and Fog [illegible] consume any and all Axis en[illegible]

Hitler sent Night and Fog to assassinate Ed Reilly, the father of Firebrand II. Reilly, a steel magnate, had actually been working against the Allied Forces until he learned of the Nazi atrocities in Europe. Despite Firebrand's intervention, Reilly was murdered and Night and Fog turned their attention to the All-Star Squadron. The sibling assassins subsequently returned to Germany; their fates are unknown. PJ

NIGHT FORCE

FIRST APPEARANCE THE NEW TEEN TITANS (1st series) #21 (July 1982)
STATUS Hero team **BASE** Georgetown, Washington D.C.
ORIGINAL MEMBERS
Baron Winter Group leader, occultist
Paul Brooks (deceased) Petty thug
Dr. Donovan Caine Scientist researching evil as a tangible force
Jack Gold Journalist and recovering alcoholic
Vanessa Van Helsing Psychic, Gold's estranged wife
Gowon Winter Winter's son
Katina Winter Winter's wheelchair-bound ex-wife

The Night Force is a group of often reluctant individuals called into action by the enigmatic Baron Winter whenever the world is threatened by supernatural menaces. Each year the Baron must deliver an angel to Hell in a pact to preserve mankind's freedom. The first incarnation, along with Winter's ex-wife Katina and son Gowon—also considered members—resides with the occultist in his Georgetown mansion. Brooks lost his life but redeemed his soul ridding a New York City brownstone of a demon squatter. The rest of this Night Force retired from arcane adventuring after investigating a series of mystical mysteries.

A second Night Force was assembled to defeat a timeless evil infecting children with the intent to kill. This teaming included Hallie Davis, sister of one murdered mother, as well as C.I.A. agent Marc Diamond and luckless loser Eddie Furlow. The second Night Force also stopped a serial killer inadvertently created by Vanessa Van Helsing's unresolved anger at Jack Gold made psychically real. Their present activities are unrecorded. SB

NIGHTHAWK

FIRST APPEARANCE WESTERN COMICS #5 (October 1948)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Hannibal Hawkes
OCCUPATION Traveling fix-it man **BASE** Old West
HEIGHT 5ft 11in **WEIGHT** 185 lbs **EYES** Black **HAIR** Black
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Given his past, Nighthawk is a fierce combatant, a master marksman and fine horse rider.

Hannibal Hawkes was the 19th century reincarnation of the Ancient Egyptian Prince Khufu and he adopted the costumed guise of Nighthawk to continue his warrior ways. Hawkes was a traveling fix-it man, using the experience gained from his many reincarnations to handle most any kind of repair while donning an ebony mask and using six-shooters to mete out rough frontier justice. Riding his jet black stallion Nightwind, he traveled the plains, eventually meeting up in St. Roch with the woman known as CINNAMON, a reincarnation of Khufu's beloved Chay-Ara. Together they loved and battled side by side until Hath-Set's eternal curse caught up with them, bringing death and eventual rebirth. Nighthawk and Cinnamon's descendant, Hannibal Hawkes [illegible] present day West as a bounty [illegible] known as Nighthawk. RG

KEY The original Night Force [illegible] **1)** Dr. Donovan Caine **2)** Jack Gold **3)** Vanessa Van Helsing **4)** Paul Brooks **5)** Gowon Winter **6)** Katina Winter

NIGHTMASTER

FIRST APPEARANCE SHOWCASE #82 (May 1969)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Jim Rook
OCCUPATION Bookstore owner, adventurer **BASE** New York City
HEIGHT 6ft 1in **WEIGHT** 183 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Gray
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Carries the Sword of Night, which warns of danger, deflects energy, and compels enemies to speak the truth.

In the late 1960s Jim Rook, lead singer of rock band The Electrics, entered a strange New York City shop called Oblivion Inc. with his fiancée and found himself transported to the alternate dimension of Myrra, a land of knights and sorcerers. Rook learned that he was the descendant of a Myrran warrior and took up his ancestor's magic Sword of Night. At that moment, Jim Rook became the Nightmaster. Reluctant to play a chivalrous role that he found slightly ridiculous, Nightmaster nevertheless freed Myrra from the grip of evil warlocks and returned with his fiancée to Earth. Over the next two decades he opened a bookstore in the Oblivion Inc. location and led a quiet life until persuaded to help the Seven Soldiers of PRIMAL FORCE defeat the [illegible] called the Anguat. An encounter with [illegible] Thing convinced Rook that his Myrra experiences had been an hallucination, but the truth remains to be seen. DW

NIGHTSHADE

FIRST APPEARANCE CAPTAIN ATOM (1st series) #82 (1966)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Eve Eden
OCCUPATION Adventurer **BASE** Washington D.C. **HEIGHT** 5ft 6in
WEIGHT 129 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** (Eve) blonde (Nightshade) black
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Transforms into a tangible shadow; crosses dimensions by opening warp doors between one realm and the Land of Nightshades; expert spy and hand-to-hand combatant.

Eve Eden's mother Maureen was Queen of the Land of the Nightshades, a mystic dimension. Maureen took Eve and her brother Larry to the Nightshade world and Maureen was attacked by the Incubus, a vile being that abducted Larry. Eve promised her dying mother that she would find Larry and take him back to Earth.

Eve became the government agent Nightshade and joined the SUICIDE SQUAD. On a mission to the Nightshade world, Eve discovered that Larry had been possessed [illegible] the Incubus. Squad member DEADSHOT killed Larry [illegible] Incubus also died.

Nightshade had romance [illegible] with the Squad's Rick Flag [illegible] NEMESIS and helped [illegible] CAPTAIN ATOM and the BLUE BEETLE [illegible] the JUSTICE LEAGUE OF AMERICA [illegible] on the villain Avatar. She was one of [illegible] operatives hired by Lex Luthor [illegible] LUTHOR, LEX) to take down SUPERMAN and BATMAN. PJ

NIGHTWING

FIRST APPEARANCE TALES OF THE [illegible] 44 [illegible] 1984)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Richard "Dick" Grayson
OCCUPATION Police officer, crime fighter **BASE** Blüdhaven
HEIGHT 5ft 10in **WEIGHT** 175 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Black
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Second only to Batman in fighting skills and detective abilities; utility belt includes regurgitant gas pellets, smoke capsules, acetylene torch, flex cuffs, Batarangs, and shuriken-like Wing Dings; bulletproof and fire-resistant costume is insulated and wired as single-shot taser to incapacitate attackers; right gauntlet carries hand-held 100,000-volt stun gun; preferred weapons are twin shatterproof polymer Escrima sticks held in spring-loaded pouches in the back of costume for swift deployment in close-quarter fighting.

B[illegible]AY[illegible]

FLYING GRAYSON [illegible]

NIGHTWING IS DICK GRAYSON, the [illegible] first ROBIN, now grown to manhood. Dick realized the need to leave the shadow of his mentor BATMAN and establish his own [illegible] presence. The Dark Knight [illegible] Dick [illegible] the [illegible] heroes who had just [illegible] the TEEN TITANS from his [illegible] Batman thought Robin would [illegible] his side, but Dick accepted the [illegible] Batcave. Not long after [illegible] Robin to [illegible] Dick Grayson [illegible] would [illegible] back [illegible] he adopted [illegible] childhood heroes [illegible] the Dark Knight. Dick [illegible] Nightwing [illegible] name was recommended by SUPERMAN [illegible] of Kryptonian [illegible]

HALLEY'S CIRCUS [illegible]

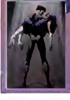
NIGHTWING TAKES FLIGHT

[illegible]

COMBAT MASTER [illegible]

KEY STORYLINES

- ***TALES OF THE TEEN TITANS #41–44, ANNUAL #3 (APRIL–JULY 1984):*** Deathstroke hunts the Teen Titans, leaving the all-new Nightwing the last Titan standing and the team's only hope!
- ***BATMAN #440–442, NEW TITANS #60–61 (OCTOBER–DECEMBER 1989):*** In "A Lonely Place of Dying," Nightwing meets his successor as Boy Wonder Tim Drake, and fights alongside Batman to defeat Two-Face!
- ***NIGHTWING #1 (1996):*** At Batman's behest, Nightwing makes Blüdhaven his new home and brings [illegible] justice to the [illegible] hidden [illegible]



TROIA'S DEATH [illegible]

THE [illegible]

NOCTURNA

FIRST APPEARANCE DETECTIVE COMICS #529 (August 1983)
STATUS Villain (missing) **REAL NAME** Natalia Knight
OCCUPATION Astronomer **BASE** England
HEIGHT 5ft 10in **WEIGHT** 140 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Black
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Natalia was a brilliant astronomer but unskilled at hand-to-hand combat.

Natalia was a child of the streets until the criminal Charles Knight took her in. She grew up with Knight's natural son Anton, eventually falling in love with him. An accident with laser radiation drained Natalia Knight's skin of all pigment and rendered her sensitive to sunlight, an accident not entirely unfortunate for an astronomer naturally drawn to twilight. From dusk till dawn, Natalia and Anton, in the guises of Nocturna and Night Slayer, engaged in thievery to enjoy the matching hours' luxuries. BATMAN brought Night Slayer to justice and Nocturna then began a romance with Sturges Hellstrom, a minor Gotham crime lord. Night Slayer escaped prison and murdered Hellstrom only to be slain by his former lover. She escaped from Batman in a hot air balloon, never to be seen again. ROBIN and SPOILER have since encountered a younger astronomer named Natalia Metternich (alias Natalia Mitternacht). Like Nocturna, Metternich is pale and loves the night. It is unknown whether these similarities are just coincidence. **RG**

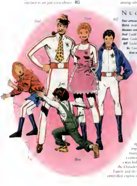
NORTHWIND

FIRST APPEARANCE ALL STAR SQUADRON #25 (September 1983)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Norda Cantrell
OCCUPATION Vigilante **BASE** Mobile
HEIGHT 6ft **WEIGHT** 195 lbs
EYES Brown **HAIR** Golden feathers
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Flight, enhanced stamina and strength, and the ability to communicate with birds though not with human beings.

The hybrid child of a human father (anthropologist Fred Cantrell) and a mother from a race of bird-people called the Feitherans, Norda Cantrell grew up in the hidden city of Feithera in northern Greenland.

The godson of HAWKMAN Carter Hall, Norda encountered jealousy from Hawkman's true son Hector Hall (later the Silver Scarab and DOCTOR FATE). As a young adult, Norda left Feithera to join INFINITY, INC. under the name of Northwind. He served with the team until Hector Hall's death, after which he returned to his people to help them rebuild their civilization in the city of New Feithera.

Northwind has recently undergone a full metamorphosis into a giant bird-like creature, keeping his flying abilities but unfortunately losing the ability to speak in the process. In his new form he has joined with BLACK ADAM, ATOM SMASHER, and Brainwave Jr. to form a "zero tolerance" super hero team committed to ending violence by executing super-villains. Northwind and the others have so far killed the terrorist KOBRA among others. **DW**



NUCLEAR FAMILY

FIRST APPEARANCE The Outsiders #1 (November 1985)
STATUS Android villains (destroyed) **BASE** California
MEMBERS AND POWERS
Dad Could emit vast amounts of nuclear radiation
Mom Could emit potentially fatal electromagnetic pulse
Biff Could emit thermal pulse of immense heat
Sis Could emit immensely destructive blast wave
Brat and dog Could emit radioactive fallout

The OUTSIDERS had declared their independence from BATMAN's leadership and relocated from Gotham City to Santa Monica, California. No sooner had they settled into their new digs than they received word of trouble at the Esperanza Canyon nuclear power plant. There the team discovered a family of androids named Dad, Mom, Biff, Sis, Brat and Dog.

These eerie creations were the brainchildren of the deranged Dr. Eric Shanner. The doctor had been a victim of radiation poisoning and had created the family he would never have himself. Working with the Outsiders' old opponent Professor Wye, Shanner intended to use the opening of the plant to detonate a nuclear explosion, sharing his radiation death with as many Californians as possible. The Outsiders confronted the powerful androids and fought them to a standstill until Wye turned on Shanner. This provided the Outsiders with an opportunity to stop the Nuclear Family and do so before Shanner and the androids died in a controlled explosion. **RG**

NYOLA

FIRST APPEARANCE ALL STAR COMICS #2 (Fall 1940)
STATUS Villain **REAL NAME** Nyola
OCCUPATION Priestess **BASE** Unknown
HEIGHT 5ft 4in **WEIGHT** 115 lbs **EYES** Brown **HAIR** Red-brown
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES She has magical control over the weather and can project bolts of lightning.

Nyola was an Aztec priestess who gained elemental powers through her worship of the rain god Tlaloc. Haughty, arrogant Nyola was originally an enemy of HAWKMAN and HAWKGIRL, tackling the winged wonders in early 1942 during one of their archaeological excursions to Central America.

Nyola returned as leader of the first MONSTER SOCIETY OF EVIL. The evil sorceress invaded the JUSTICE SOCIETY OF AMERICA's New York City headquarters, fighting Hawkgirl, HOURMAN, and Sandy the original SANDMAN's sidekick. Along with the Monster Society's RAMULUS, Dummy, MISTER WHO, and Oom, Nyola was soundly defeated by the FLASH and GREEN LANTERN. **PJ**

O.S.S. SPIES AT WAR

First appearance G.I. COMBAT #192 (July 1976)
Status Intelligence agency **Base** Washington, D.C.
Members/abilities
The most talented men and women in science, diplomacy, economics and other fields were recruited, including the adventurer Speed Saunders. They had codenames such as Falcon, Shadow, Sprinter, Mongoose, Phoenix, Raven. Costumed heroes such as Manhunter II, Phantom Lady I, and Iron Munro also worked for O.S.S.

On [illegible] 1941, The Office of Strategic Services was established to [illegible] the intelligence-collecting functions of the United States military. Driver Chuck [illegible] functions as the BLACKHAWKS [illegible] with the group. One agent, who allowed his own wife to die rather than reveal the agency's secrets, was tapped to dispatch agents [illegible] deadly missions and was known [illegible] the unit was absorbed into [illegible] Control was later [illegible] to head up ARGENT, [illegible] international force under the Task Force X umbrella [illegible] went underground after [illegible] J.F. Kennedy's [illegible] Some time [illegible] Control died. [illegible] Argent's covert [illegible] continued until [illegible] by the modern-day [illegible] SQUAD. **RG**

Mission impossible [illegible]

OCEAN MASTER

First appearance AQUAMAN (1st series) #29 (October 1966)
Status Villain **Real name** Orm Marius
Occupation Professional criminal **Base** The Atlantic Ocean
Height 5ft 11in **Weight** 200 lbs **Eyes** Brown **Hair** Brown
Special powers/abilities Trident possesses vast magical powers, notably the firing of powerful mystical energy blasts; amphibious; able to breathe underwater and swim at great speeds; is totally unaffected by the crushing weight of the ocean's great depths.

Orm Marius [illegible] of the [illegible] brother in accordance [illegible] two brothers would [illegible] his first love Kaly [illegible] and swore to kill [illegible]

After years of [illegible] Master tried to [illegible] was defeated [illegible] Ocean Master [illegible] BLACK MANTA [illegible] greatest [illegible] however [illegible] [illegible] the Infinite [illegible] **PJ**

OBSIDIAN

First appearance ALL STAR SQUADRON #25 (September 1983)
Status Villain **Real name** Todd Rice
Occupation Super-villain **Base** Mobile
Height 5ft 11in **Weight** 193 lbs **Eyes** Brown **Hair** Brown
Special powers/abilities Can control the shadow force to become a living shadow or send people into the "shadowlands" of their deepest fears.

[illegible] After the [illegible] Obsidian [illegible] the DARK [illegible] world. Obsidian [illegible] Dark [illegible] of Kal [illegible] **DW**

Dark side [illegible]

ODD MAN

First appearance CANCELLED COMICS CAVALCADE #2 (Fall 1978)
Status Villain **Real name** Clayton "Clay" Stoner
Occupation Private investigator, crime fighter **Base** River City
Height 5ft 11in **Weight** 180 lbs **Eyes** Blue **Hair** Black
Special powers/abilities Above-average hand-to-hand combatant; costume contained a variety of clownish gags and gimmicks to disorient and defeat opponents, including a weighted tie, slippery oil spray, smoke-emitting gloves, and anesthetic gas.

When there was trouble in crime-ridden River City, private investigator Clay Stoner became the Odd Man out of nowhere, clad in a confusing costume that was more like a carnival clown's and based in an office that turned end over-end to dizzy dimwitted goons. The Odd Man literally turned the underworld upside down with his heroic high jinks and wacky weapons. He didn't just make fools of hardened gangsters, the Odd Man once solved a murder mystery involving the reincarnation of the first Nile Queen and her Pharaoh consort.

The Odd Man has had a minor association with the public service super hero agency known as HERO HOTLINE. He also applied for the position of Security Chief at Project Cadmus. Passed over, the Odd Man also tried and failed to interest the POWER COMPANY, a superpowered law firm, in his slapstick services. The Odd Man remains River City's sole super hero. **SB**

OLSEN, JIMMY

SUPERMAN'S PAL

FIRST APPEARANCE SUPERMAN (1st series) #13 (November 1941)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** James Bartholomew Olsen
OCCUPATION Journalist photographer **BASE** Metropolis
HEIGHT 6ft 2in **WEIGHT** 210 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Red
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Only an average athlete but has a keen photographer's eye; seemingly fearless in the face of danger; unswervingly loyal to his friends; periodically falls victim to bizarre mutant abilities he is usually powerless to control.

THE FIRST TWO PEOPLE [illegible] by SUPERMAN were Lois Lane (*see* LANE, LOIS) and a fresh-faced photographer named Jimmy Olsen. Superman befriended Jimmy and the teen became one of the Man of Steel's most faithful admirers. In return Superman gave Jimmy a special watch with a hypersonic signal only Superman could hear, which the teen used to alert the Man of Steel. Inspired by his hero, Jimmy has embarked on many adventures, risking life and limb to get prize-winning shots. Who else but Jimmy could have fearlessly photographed the deadly battle between Superman and DOOMSDAY?

COUNTDOWN *Jimmy has earned Superman's trust and with it a signal watch to summon the Man of Steel.*

LOOKING FOR TROUBLE

Jimmy was brought up by his mother Sarah in Metropolis's Bakerline section after his father Jake Olsen, a covert military operative, went missing. The boy proved to be highly intelligent and became an academic star. But what Jimmy really wanted was action. He signed on as an intern and then a junior photographer at the *Daily Planet* newspaper. He quickly developed a crush on the paper's star reporter Lois Lane, who tolerated the eager young pup and often brought him along on assignments. Jimmy also fell under *Daily Planet* editor Perry White's sway. White instilled in him the vital importance of photographs to truthful reporting, and the pair have something of a father-son relationship—which can turn explosive when Jimmy infuriates Perry by accidentally calling him "Chief." Strange superpowers manifested when Jimmy investigated the deaths of the New Gods. Discovering abilities including super speed, stretching, flame breath, and the power to grow porcupine quills or a turtle shell, Jimmy branded himself as the superhero Mister Action. He later traveled to Apokolips to help Superman investigate find the [illegible] RG

SUPERMAN ARRIVES [illegible] Metropolis [illegible] grabbed [illegible] Jimmy Olsen [illegible] biggest [illegible] Superman

THE CHIEF Still [illegible] Jimmy [illegible] great guidance [illegible] Perry White—in [illegible] terms!

THIS IS A JOB FOR SUPERMAN! [illegible] *Jimmy* [illegible] *death* [illegible] *after* [illegible] *and Lex Luthor*

MISTER ACTION [illegible] the [illegible] Jimmy [illegible] *to Apokolips and battle Darkseid*

KEY STORYLINES

- ***SUPERMAN'S METROPOLIS* #1–12 (APRIL 2003–MARCH 2004):** Jimmy and Metropolis's Brainiac-created artificial intelligence learn from one another
- ***SUPERMAN'S PAL JIMMY OLSEN* #133–134 (OCTOBER–DECEMBER 1970):** Jimmy learns of Darkseid's threat and begins a series of amazing adventures
- ***SUPERMAN* #142 (JULY 1999):** Jimmy learns the truth about his father's disappearance and connection with Project Cadmus

OLYMPIAN

First appearance SUPER FRIENDS #8 (December 1977)
Status Hero **Real name** Aristides Demetrios
Occupation Adventurer **Base** Athens, Greece
Height 6ft 4in **Weight** 255 lbs **Eyes** Brown **Hair** Brown
Special powers/abilities Golden Fleece gives him superstrength, superspeed, near invulnerability, precognition, telescopic vision, X-ray vision, hypnotic control over animals, shapechanging into animals; also Olympic-level boxing, wrestling, martial arts, archery and equestrian skills, expert physician and maritime navigator.

Aristides Demetrios was a rebellious punk from Lemada, Greece, who was jailed several times for petty crime. [illegible] and stealing the legendary Golden Fleece from a [illegible] warehouse, he [illegible] king [illegible] Demetrios was [illegible] personalities [illegible] Jason and [illegible] Greek mythology who [illegible] Taking the name Aristides [illegible] the heroic Olympian, joining Doctor Mist's international team the Global Guardians.

Captured and hypnotized by the evil Queen Bee, Aristides could no longer control the spirits of the Argonauts—each of them vied for control of his body. As a result, the Olympian now suffers from extreme multiple personality disorder. The Olympian remains a hero in some parts of Greece, fighting local criminals. PJ

OMAC

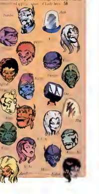
First appearance (historical) OMAC (1st series) #1 (October 1974)
Status Villain **Real name** Inapplicable
Occupation Anti-metahuman virus **Base** Mobile
Height Various **Weight** Various **Eyes** None **Hair** Black
Special powers/abilities Cyborg OMAC units can fly, emit energy blasts, withstand extreme damage, and interface instantly with the Brother Eye satellite.

In an alternate Earth's future timeline Buddy Blank became the One Man Army Corps (OMAC) following a Great Disaster. On the mainstream Earth however, OMAC soon became a threat after Batman constructed the artificially intelligent Brother Eye satellite to keep tabs on metahuman behavior. Corruption by Maxwell Lord (see Lord, Maxwell) caused Brother Eye to infect more than a million human agents with a nanotech virus and initiate a sweeping campaign against metahumans. Batman destroyed his creation during the Infinite Crisis, but the OMAC Project lived on in the form of its single remaining agent, Michael Costner. Brother Eye returned when this reality's Buddy Blank repaired its operating system. It then activated a new army of OMACs on the planet Apokolips. Sasha Bordeaux (see Bordeaux, Sasha) of Checkmate is a cyborg with an array of OMAC enhancements. DW

OMEGA MEN

First appearance GREEN LANTERN (2nd series) #141 (June 1981)
Status Heroes **Base** Vegan Star System
Notable members
Primus (deceased) Psionically powered leader
Auron (Lambien) God-like son of a Vegan goddess
Broot Rock-hard giant from the planet Changralyn
Harpis Winged sister of Demonia
Kalista Sorceress wife of the late Primus
Nimbus Wraith-like spirit
Tigorr (Tagharrha) Karnan feline fighter, occasional leader

[illegible] they [illegible] the [illegible] before being [illegible] conflict [illegible] Dominator-led invasion of Earth [illegible] Prior to the Infinite [illegible] Adam Strange [illegible] of the planet Rann. The team [illegible] faced its greatest challenge in dealing with [illegible] of Lady Styx. SB



OLYMPIAN GODS

First appearance WONDER WOMAN (2nd series) #1 (November 1987)
Status Transcendent beings **Base** Mount Olympus
Notable members of the Greek pantheon
Zeus God of the Skies
Hera Goddess of Wives and Childbirth, wife of Zeus
Aphrodite Goddess of Love, a former wife of Ares
Apollo God of Light
Ares God of War
Artemis Goddess of the Hunt
Athena Goddess of Wisdom
Demeter Goddess of Agriculture
Dionysus God of Wine
Hades God of the Underworld
Heracles God of Strength
Hestia Goddess of the Hearth
Mercury The Messenger God
Poseidon God of the Oceans

Key 1) Poseidon 2) Zeus 3) Hades 4) Dionysus 5) Apollo 6) Hera 7) Hestia 8) Mercury 9) Aphrodite 10) [illegible] 11) Athena 12) Demeter 13) Heracles

The children of the Titans of Myth, the Olympian gods ruled the Earth for centuries from their fortress Mount Olympus in ancient Greece. Long ago, a young Darkseid split the pantheon of gods into two, creating the Roman gods. Several of the goddesses of Mount Olympus created the Amazons of Themyscira, a race of mighty warriors.

When the War God Ares went mad, the goddesses created the Amazon princess Wonder Woman to stop his schemes. Later, the Olympians were manipulated into a cataclysmic War of the Gods by the witch Circe, clashing against each other and the gods of other pantheons. After the cosmic Source, the Force for All Creation, was threatened, the Greek and Roman pantheons were reunited. Prior to the Amazonian invasion of Washington DC, Granny Goodness overpowered the Olympian Gods and assumed the guise of Athena. PJ

ONOMATOPOEIA

FIRST APPEARANCE GREEN ARROW (3rd series) #11 (February 2002)
STATUS Villain **REAL NAME** Unrevealed
OCCUPATION Assassin **BASE** Mobile
HEIGHT 5ft 11in **WEIGHT** 180 lbs
EYES Hidden by mask **HAIR** Unknown
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES A superb athlete; expert with guns, knives and swords; does things no normal human could accomplish, including biting one of Green Arrow's weapons in half.

The motivation that makes Onomatopoeia stalk the country killing third-rate costumed heroes (e.g. Harrisburg, Pennsylvania's Buckeye) and assorted vigilantes remains an unexplained mystery. He seems to be deliberately working his way up from the bottom and moving on to more powerful and well-known adversaries; however, like so much about Onomatopoeia, this is mere conjecture. As his name suggests, he expresses himself using only onomatopoeic words. The last sound victims hear is Onomatopoeia's imitation of the noise made by the weapon he is about to use to murder them.

Green Arrow II (Connor Hawke) was one of Onomatopoeia's most notable victims. Ambushing the archer in the alley, the killer grazed his head with a gunshot and then mistakenly left Connor for dead. A blood transfusion saved Connor's life while his father Oliver Queen (Green Arrow I) met the assassin with a sharp response on the top of a building. The enigmatic Onomatopoeia still [illegible]. RG

ONSLAUGHT, THE

FIRST APPEARANCE (Jihad) SUICIDE SQUAD (1st series) #1 (May 1987); (Onslaught) SUICIDE SQUAD (2nd series) #10 (August 2002)
STATUS Villain team **BASE** Qurac
MEMBERS AND POWERS
Rustam I and II (both deceased) Team leaders, each could summon and wield a blazing scimitar.
Djinn Digitized body of electronic code; density manipulation, phasing; can transform from digital code into a sentient cloud.
Jacob I and II (both deceased) Superspeed.
Manticore I, II, and III (all deceased) Lion-themed battlesuits with machine guns and grenade launchers.
Ravan Martial artist and weapons master; requires specialized body brace to move.
Agni Can create and manipulate fire.
Badb Sonic scream instills panic and hatred.
Brit An artificial intelligence based on the brain patterns of Mindboggler (a dead Suicide Squad member).
Kaschei the Deathless (deceased) Could animate the dead.
Piscator Amphibious powers; limited telepathy.
Old Mother (deceased) The demon Dohak manifested in an old woman's body.
Dervish Superspeed.
Antiphon Superspeed.
Hyve Can split into multiple, smaller versions of himself.
Tolteca Warrior skills.

The Onslaught is a group of superpowered international terrorists-for-hire, operating out of the Middle Eastern country of Qurac. Originally called the Jihad, the Onslaught were created by then Qurac president, Marlo, in an attempt to kill the President of the United States. However, NIGHTSHADE and NEMESIS I, two members of the American SUICIDE SQUAD, infiltrated the Jihad, allowing the Squad to launch a preemptive attack on the [illegible] and cripple the team.

Later reborn with new members, the Jihad launched a second attack on the United States. Once again the Jihad came to blows with the Suicide Squad, this time in New York City, and many of the terrorist villains were captured or killed, including their leader Rustam.

Years later, a third incarnation of the Jihad emerged and attacked the HAYOTH, the Israeli supercommandos, as well as the JUSTICE LEAGUE OF AMERICA, after the mercenary [illegible] detonated a nuclear warhead above Qurac, killing more than one million people. The Jihad, mistakenly believing America's [illegible] were responsible for the warhead's detonation, hijacked an American airliner heading to Gotham City from Paris. Fortunately, the OLYMPIANS were also aboard the airplane and the terrorists were defeated.

Recently, Njara Kantah, the son of the first Rustam, created a new Jihad, now called the Onslaught, with new members. After [illegible] by kidnapping Amanda Waller (see WALLER, AMANDA), the Onslaught was soundly trounced by the Suicide Squad and the JUSTICE SOCIETY OF AMERICA. DEADSHOT killed Rustam II; the others escaped and remain at large. PJ

DEADLY TERRORISTS The Jihad went toe-to-toe with the Suicide Squad. Key: **1)** Rustam I **2)** Jacob I **3)** Djinn **4)** Manticore I **5)** Ravan **6)** [illegible]

ANTIPHON The [illegible] proved the Onslaught and [illegible] for Suicide Squad and the JSA. He fought [illegible] was responsible for the death of Amanda Waller's daughter, [illegible].

DIGITAL DEATH The Djinn killed [illegible] Modem.

HYVE This [illegible] pleases [illegible] all that can change into other people and [illegible].

RUSTAM II [illegible] leader could ge[illegible] the [illegible] emissions of pure fire.

ONYX

FIRST APPEARANCE DETECTIVE COMICS #546 (January 1985)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Unrevealed
OCCUPATION Adventurer **BASE** Star City
HEIGHT 5ft 9in **WEIGHT** 146 lbs **EYES** Brown **HAIR** Black
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Olympic-level athlete, expert hand-to-hand combatant [illegible]

[illegible] Gotham City. **PJ**

ORDER OF ST DUMAS, THE

FIRST APPEARANCE BATMAN: SWORD OF AZRAEL #1 (October 1992)
STATUS Secret society of warrior priests and priestesses (destroyed)
BASE Mobile; formerly 14th-century Europe
NOTABLE MEMBERS
Azrael (Jean Paul Valley) deceased; **Brother Rollo** deceased;
Carleton LeHah deceased; **Sister Lilhy** deceased; **Nomoz**

With its origins in the 14th century, the Order of St Dumas [illegible] **SB**

ORION

FIRST APPEARANCE NEW GODS (1st series) #1 (March 1971)
STATUS Hero (deceased) **REAL NAME** Orion
OCCUPATION Warrior **BASE** New Genesis
HEIGHT 6ft 1in **WEIGHT** 195 lbs **EYES** Red **HAIR** Red
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Possesses enormous strength comparison with his fellow gods, as well as a fierce warrior's instinct; astro-glider allows him inter-spatial and inter-dimensional travel.

[illegible]

WARRIOR
[illegible]

ORACLE

FIRST APPEARANCE DETECTIVE COMICS #359 (January 1967)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Barbara Gordon
OCCUPATION Information broker **BASE** Gotham City
HEIGHT 5ft 11in **WEIGHT** 148 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Red
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Superior computer hacker and information retrieval specialist; possesses a photographic memory and is a capable hand-to-hand combatant.

THE JOKER'S BULLET brought Barbara's [illegible] high-flying career as BATGIRL [illegible]. However, despite being paralyzed and [illegible], she has accomplished far more as a crime [illegible] than she ever would if she'd remained BATMAN's [illegible] in the [illegible] of acrobatics and Batarangs.

BEHIND THE SCREEN
[illegible]

BARBARA GORDON

Barbara ("Babs" to her friends) became the adoptive daughter of her uncle James Gordon, the G.C.P.D. (see GORDON, JAMES W.) following the death of her parents. A brilliant student, she graduated from Gotham University at a very young age and took a job with the Gotham Public Library. Barbara admired the city's resident vigilante Batman and [illegible] a homemade Batgirl costume [illegible] her father at the Police [illegible]. [illegible] she foiled the [illegible] Killer Moth's attack [illegible] on Bruce Wayne and [illegible] Dynamic Duo [illegible] Robin.

[illegible]

KILLING JOKE [illegible]

BIRDS OF PREY [illegible]

[illegible] Barbara [illegible] U.S. Congress [illegible] fatal [illegible] with the [illegible] Commissioner [illegible] retired [illegible] crime-fighting [illegible] plot against [illegible] the Joker [illegible] in the spine. During [illegible] with the help of [illegible] as an information [illegible] Amanda Waller [illegible] BLACK CANARY [illegible] survived [illegible] Birds of Prey [illegible] DW

KEY STORYLINES

- **BATGIRL: YEAR ONE #1–9 (FEBRUARY–OCTOBER 2003)**: Batgirl battles Killer Moth in the retelling of her heroic debut
- **BATMAN: THE KILLING JOKE (ONE-SHOT, 1988)**: A bullet from the Joker's gun paralyzes Barbara in a moment that shocked readers
- **BIRDS OF PREY #1 (JANUARY 1999)**: Working from Gotham's clocktower, Oracle begins a new career as a super-heroic string-puller

ORPHIUS

FIRST APPEARANCE BATMAN: ORPHEUS RISING #1 (October 2001)
STATUS Hero (deceased) **REAL NAME** Gavin King
OCCUPATION Vigilante; former dancer **BASE** Gotham City
HEIGHT 6ft 2in **WEIGHT** 180 lbs **EYES** Brown **HAIR** Black
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Formidable fighter; stealth costume allows costume to blend into shadows; employs high tech weapons.

While other kids were thro[illegible] hoops or rapping, Gotham [illegible] [illegible] King turned his attention [illegible] and dance. After finishing his schooling, [illegible] dance troupe and traveled [illegible] [illegible] secret organization which provided him with the training and equipment he needed [illegible] combat [illegible] As the costumed Orpheus he arrived in Gotham [illegible] Batman [illegible] bloodshed between gangs and gun dealers. Throughout the war [illegible] Orpheus the Dark Knight [illegible] Later Orpheus teamed with the Dark Knight to allay Nightwing and Black Canary. Orpheus died [illegible] by Black Mask, after [illegible] gang war. SB

OSIRIS

FIRST APPEARANCE 52 #23 (October 2006)
STATUS Hero (deceased) **REAL NAME** Amon Tomaz
OCCUPATION Adventurer **BASE** Khandaq
HEIGHT 5ft 10in **WEIGHT** 165 lbs **EYES** Brown **HAIR** Brown
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Flight; super-strength; superspeed; invulnerability; enhanced stamina and wisdom.

Amon Tomaz was captured [illegible] and beaten [illegible] by his sister [illegible] Adam Adrianna [illegible] Isis as well [illegible] Black Marvel [illegible] Amon [illegible] the third [illegible] Black Marvel [illegible] the US [illegible] Captain Marvel Jr. [illegible] Sobek [illegible] the human Amon Tomaz [illegible] Apokolips [illegible] DW

OUTLAW

FIRST APPEARANCE ALL STAR WESTERN #2 (November 1970)
STATUS Hero (deceased) **REAL NAME** Rick Wilson
OCCUPATION Ranger **BASE** Texas
HEIGHT 6ft 1in **WEIGHT** 189 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Brown
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Was an expert marksman and horseman, often accompanied by a devoted hawk he once nursed back to health.

Rick Wilson's father Sam was a Texas ranger who enforced the law throughout the Old West. When Rick turned 18, he set out [illegible] unknown. When Sam Wilson was called on to investigate a stagecoach robbery, he discovered that Rick was one of the outlaws [illegible] [illegible] Sam [illegible] portrayed his son as [illegible] [illegible] King [illegible] What no one realized was that the Wilsons [illegible] Rick was infiltrating outlaw gangs [illegible] Sam Wilson [illegible] them dead or alive. After [illegible] the [illegible] Wilsons [illegible] Sam and Rick served with the Texas Rangers [illegible] days. SB

FAST ON THE DRAW
Rick Wilson masqueraded as an Outlaw to bring in desperados—dead or alive!

THE OUTSIDERS See opposite page

OVERMASTER

FIRST APPEARANCE JUSTICE LEAGUE OF AMERICA (1st series) #233 (December 1984) **STATUS** Villain **REAL NAME** None
OCCUPATION Assassin **BASE** Outer space
HEIGHT 8ft **WEIGHT** 350 lbs **EYES** Red **HAIR** None
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Exact abilities have not yet been documented but he clearly possesses advanced technology.

[illegible] when the being [illegible] the [illegible] the [illegible] super heroes [illegible] [illegible] The group challenged [illegible] America [illegible] [illegible] JLA [illegible] opposed by the JLA [illegible] RG

OWLWOMAN

FIRST APPEARANCE SUPER FRIENDS #7 (October 1977)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Wenonah Littlebird
OCCUPATION Jeweler; adventurer **BASE** London, the Dome
HEIGHT 5ft 5in **WEIGHT** 125 lbs **EYES** Brown **HAIR** Black
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Tribal powers give her superhuman speed, the power of flight, tracking ability, sight in total darkness, and superhuman endurance; her genetically engineered claws can cut through steel.

A Kiowa Indian from Wyoming, Wenonah Littlebird learned [illegible] great [illegible] Owlwoman [illegible] Wenonah battled [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] Her powers [illegible] was captured by the [illegible] [illegible] Middle East [illegible] PJ

THE OUTSIDERS

THE NEW BREED

FIRST APPEARANCE Brave and the Bold #200 (July 1983)
STATUS Hero team **BASE** Brooklyn, New York City
CURRENT MEMBERS AND POWERS
BATMAN Master combatant, strategist, and detective
KATANA One of the world's greatest martial artists
GEO-FORCE Can manipulate gravity as well as powers linked to the Earth
GRACE Super-strong and near invulnerable Amazonian
KATANA Skilled martial artist wielding an enchanted sword
METAMORPHO Can transmute body into chemical compounds

THE OUTSIDERS LIVE UP TO THEIR NAME by flatly refusing to work within the approved [illegible] of international law and propriety. The current version of the team is committed to taking proactive action on problems in its infancy and alien threats before they even [illegible] to become threats. The original Outsiders included BLACK LIGHTNING, METAMORPHO, [illegible] Halo, and the Markovian noble Geo-Force. Based in Gotham City and backed financially by Bruce Wayne, the [illegible] were an outgrowth of Batman's frustration with the political constraints under which the JUSTICE LEAGUE OF AMERICA were forced to operate.

DIRECT ACTION

[illegible] the JLA [illegible] over the [illegible] information [illegible] and Geo-Force [illegible] Angeles [illegible] agents [illegible] Later [illegible] the [illegible] Windfall and [illegible] Geo-Force [illegible]

GEO-FORCE [illegible]

THE OUTSIDERS 1) [illegible] 2) [illegible] 3) [illegible] 4) Metamorpho 5) [illegible] 6) [illegible]

NEW BLOOD [illegible]

Reunited in Markovia, the Outsiders [illegible] fugitives framed for the murder of the [illegible] Queen Ilona. They [illegible] but split into two squads: one led [illegible] and including KATANA and the [illegible] the other led by the Kryptonian [illegible] Looker, Halo, and [illegible] Wylde. The two teams [illegible] Outsiders remained active through [illegible] Great Battles, pp. 362–3), [illegible] being DOCTOR LIGHT II [illegible] Titan Arsenal was founded [illegible] otherwise, and featuring [illegible] III, and Indigo. [illegible] to end threats before [illegible] new Outsiders [illegible]

KEY STORYLINES

- **BATMAN AND THE OUTSIDERS #1 (AUGUST 1983)**: The classic Outsiders team makes its debut while meddling in foreign affairs
- **OUTSIDERS (2ND SERIES) #1 (NOVEMBER 1985)**: Without Batman, the Outsiders move to California
- **OUTSIDERS (3RD SERIES) #1 (JUNE 2003)**: Nightwing and Arsenal, ex-teen Titans, form a new team

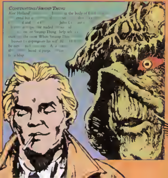
GREAT TEAM-UPS

TWO HEADS ARE BETTER THAN ONE is not an axiom that finds favor with all super heroes. Some hate to share [illegible] and many just don't click, and sometimes a spot of unresolved sexual tension clouds the issue. Before too long, all manner of hostility [illegible] bubbling to the surface. However, if two heroes are compatible, a team-up can lead to [illegible] lasting friendship and mutual respect [illegible] Here's a look at [illegible] combinations.

SUPERMAN/WONDER WOMAN
[illegible]

ATOM/HAWKMAN
[illegible]

ROBIN/BATGIRL
A [illegible] right Robin and Batgirl [illegible] attempt by Batman [illegible] vigilantes [illegible] fuller [illegible] by then Dick [illegible] Nightwing and Bat[illegible] known [illegible]



CONSTANTINE/SWAMP THING
Alec Holland [illegible] in the body of [illegible] [illegible] and [illegible] John C[illegible] [illegible] traded [illegible] or Swamp Thing [illegible] help [illegible] the most. When Swamp Thing [illegible] impregnate his wife A[illegible] he turn[illegible] A [illegible] band [illegible] [illegible] a blimp.

CYBORG/CHANGELING
[illegible] whether [illegible]

GREEN LANTERN II/GREEN ARROW I
[illegible] problems [illegible]

BOOSTER GOLD/BLUE BEETLE
[illegible] with the [illegible] bond was quickly established. Both [illegible] they [illegible] explore [illegible] and [illegible] With [illegible] [illegible]

ATTACKED FROM ALL SIDES
[illegible]

SUPERMAN/BATMAN
Superman takes [illegible] [illegible] Superman [illegible] [illegible] they [illegible] themselves [illegible]

FLASH II/KID FLASH
[illegible] Wall[illegible]

RG

PANTHA

FIRST APPEARANCE NEW TITANS #74 (March 199[illegible])
STATUS Hero (deceased) **REAL NAME** None (originally designated [illegible])
OCCUPATION Adventurer **BASE** Science City, Russia
HEIGHT 5ft 5in **WEIGHT** 136 lbs **EYES** Red **HAIR** Auburn
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Incredible predatory speed, strength, and agility; indestructible claws on hands and feet; cat-like visual acuity.

[illegible] Wildebeest Society [illegible] DNA [illegible] whole [illegible] shielded [illegible] powers [illegible] Wildebeest [illegible]

[illegible] Wildebeest [illegible] SB

CAT/WOMAN [illegible]

PARASITE

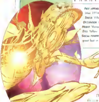
FIRST APPEARANCE [illegible]
STATUS Villain **REAL NAME** Rudy Jones [illegible]
OCCUPATION Professional criminal **BASE** Metropolis
HEIGHT Variable **WEIGHT** Variable **EYES** Red **HAIR** None
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Absorbed the life essence of living creatures, killing them; absorbed meta-human powers; could shape-change; size and shape varied with energy absorbed.

Rudy Jones was a maintenance worker at S.T.A.R. [illegible] in Metropolis, who tried to smuggle [illegible] out of the laboratory to sell illegally. Jones [illegible] one of the waste containers and was [illegible] with an isotope that transformed his body. [illegible] Jones was forced to absorb the life energies [illegible] beings, much like a vampire. Searching for the [illegible] meal, the Parasite began a lifelong pursuit [illegible] whom he considered a living power battery. He was foiled repeatedly, but the Parasite's craving for the Man of Steel's solar-powered energy was always unfulfilled.

After absorbing the life energies of Doctor Torval Freeman, the Parasite retained Freeman's psyche and memories. The two personalities became locked in a battle for supremacy for the Parasite's body, making him more dangerous than ever. After the Parasite tried to absorb [illegible]'s angelic energies he found himself haunted by the voices of every one of his victims, and was nearly [illegible] mad. The Parasite then kidnapped Lois Lane [illegible] (Lois), from whom he learned Superman's se[illegible] and took her place. Although the Parasite [illegible] to have died from kryptonite poisoning, [illegible] reappeared offering his power-[illegible] services for a fee to metahuman criminals [illegible] to temporarily avoid monitoring. PJ

SOUL DRAIN [illegible]

SUPER ABSORPTION The leech-like creature's mightiest [illegible] absorbed [illegible] Superman's [illegible]



PARALLAX

FIRST APPEARANCE GREEN LANTERN (3rd ser.) #50 (Mar. 1994)
STATUS Villain **REAL NAME** Inapplicable
OCCUPATION Fear entity **BASE** Mobile
HEIGHT Various **WEIGHT** Various
EYES Yellow **HAIR** None
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Feeds on fear and can instill great fear in others; can possess other beings as hosts.

[illegible] Parallax is the living embodiment of fear and the natural enemy of the willpower entity ION. Since the dawn of time Parallax has fed [illegible] the terror of others until imprisoned in the Central Power Battery on Oa by the GUARDIANS OF THE UNIVERSE. There, Parallax's essence corrupted the emerald energy used by the GREEN LANTERN CORPS, making their power rings [illegible] to the color yellow (a flaw referred to as the yellow impurity). When the CYBORG SUPERMAN [illegible] Coast City, home of Hal Jordan (GREEN LANTERN), Parallax took root in Jordan's psyche and turned him into a twisted version of his former self. Jordan made war against the Guardians and his teammates, annihilating the Corps and attempting (with EXTANT) to wipe out all of reality during the Zero Hour event.

Although Jordan eventually became the host for the SPECTRE, Parallax retained a foothold. Only after purging Parallax could Jordan return as his true self. Parallax in turn took possession of Green Lantern Kyle Rayner during the [illegible] Corps War. Killing numerous Lanterns, Parallax spread fear through the [illegible] until Rayner fought his way free. Parallax then found itself quartered and locked inside the power batteries of Hal Jordan, Kyle Rayner, Guy Gardner, and John Stewart. DW

PARK, LINDA

FIRST APPEARANCE THE FLASH (2nd series) #28 (July 1989)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Linda Jasmine Park
OCCUPATION Television journalist; medical student
BASE Keystone City **HEIGHT** 5ft 4in **WEIGHT** 127 lbs
EYES Brown **HAIR** Black **SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES** She has no superpowers but is brave and resourceful; the Flash's equal for sheer gumption and his perfect partner.

SOULMATES
Linda loved the whirlwind life [illegible] husband led as the Flash.

Linda Park thought Wally West (FLASH III) was brash [illegible] arrogant—which he was. But Linda also saw something else in him: the spark of a better man. As their relationship developed, that spark became the flames of love. So strong was their bond that it has enabled Flash to find his way home regardless of time, dimension, or location, as they discovered when the Flash III pushed himself past his peak and joined the Speed Force.

Linda was seemingly killed by a supernatural entity called the Black Flash, which sent Wally West spiraling into a depression. The Flash ultimately rescued Linda from within the Speed Force and they made plans to wed.

As the [illegible] took place, Linda was kidnapped [illegible] Abra Kadabra and the world's [illegible] with the Flash [illegible] married at last, and [illegible] Medical College. [illegible] she was attacked by Zoom [illegible] A time anomaly [illegible] she gave birth to twins [illegible] to keep pace with [illegible] RG

END OF THE DREAM [illegible]
[illegible] and left Linda to decide her future.

PARIAH

FIRST APPEARANCE CRISIS ON INFINITE EARTHS #1 (April 1985)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Maaza
OCCUPATION Adventurer **BASE** Mobile
HEIGHT 5ft 11in **WEIGHT** 165 lbs **EYES** Black **HAIR** Purple
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Brilliant scientist; invulnerable to physical harm; innately teleports to the focal point of vast danger; it is undetermined whether he is immortal.

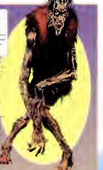
[illegible]

[illegible] RG

PATCHWORK MAN I

FIRST APPEARANCE SWAMP THING #2 (January 1973)
STATUS Hero (deceased) **REAL NAME** Gregori Arcane
OCCUPATION None (a victim of circumstance) **BASE** Mobile
HEIGHT 6ft 8in **WEIGHT** 330 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Grayish black
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Shambling, super-strong hulk with a fantastic resistance to injury. His origin as a magically created being gives him limited defenses against sorcery.

[illegible] daughter Abigail [illegible] Swamp Thing [illegible] followed, but [illegible] to an [illegible] JB



PEACEMAKER III

FIRST APPEARANCE THE LAW #1 (September 1999)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Mitchell Black
OCCUPATION Former physician, soldier **BASE** Mobile
HEIGHT 6ft 1in **WEIGHT** 183 lbs **EYES** Brown **HAIR** Brown
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Battle armor provides flight and enhances strength; armor is operational underwater or in space and contains high-tech arms systems as well as an energy blaster.

Three individuals have adopted the alter ego of Peacemaker, an armored soldier battling for peace. Peacemaker I was Christopher Smith, whose delusions of being haunted by his father, Nazi SS officer Wolfgang Schmidt, drove him to acts resulting in fights and killings in the sake of peace. Peacemaker I [illegible] died attempting to liberate the South American country of Paradiso from the [illegible] influence of [illegible].

Peacemaker II's identity is unrevealed. Presumably he is a U.S. government agent sanctioned to take up Smith's identity and armor. He is known chiefly for his [illegible] America. His current [illegible] and whereabouts are unknown.

Peacemaker III is Mitchell Black, a paramilitary physician who [illegible] his hero's [illegible] following [illegible] the death of a young patient. Black was subsequently recruited by the Geneva-based Peacemaker Project as head of its [illegible] Division. This organization provided [illegible] to troubled nations around the [illegible] killed by Prometheus [illegible] reappeared [illegible] SB

PATCHWORK MAN II

FIRST APPEARANCE SECRET FILES & ORIGINS GUIDE TO THE DC UNIVERSE 2000 #1 (March 2000)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Elliot Taylor
OCCUPATION Member of Creature Commandos **BASE** Mobile
HEIGHT 9ft **WEIGHT** 560 lbs **EYES** Black **HAIR** None
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Superstrength; fantastic resistance to injury thanks to a body composed of undead material.

The [illegible] Elliot "Lucky" Taylor [illegible] warrior who [illegible] his [illegible] body to the U.S. government's top-secret Project M. With his teammates in the new CREATURE COMMANDOS—including Wolfpack (Warren Griffith), Medusa, Sgt. Vincent Velcro, Gunner and CAPTAIN HUNTER—Patchwork Man II scored as the [illegible] heavy hitter during a struggle against the [illegible] sorcerer Lord Saturna, ruler of the [illegible] Terra Arcana. The Patchwork Man lugged a [illegible] machine gun with triple ammo belts slung across his broad shoulders, helped the Creature Commandos prevent a [illegible]-scale invasion of the armies of Terra Arcana, thanks in part to [illegible] aid from [illegible]. In the end [illegible] Saturna perished and the [illegible] Terra Arcana [illegible] left in chaos [illegible] DW

PINCUSHION Patchwork Man II [illegible] thousands of rounds [illegible] probably [illegible] kind of bullet [illegible]

PEACEKEEPER I Christopher Smith [illegible] identity of Peacemaker.

PENGUIN

GOTHAM'S MR. FIX[illegible]

FIRST APPEARANCE DETECTIVE COMICS #58 (December 1941)
STATUS Villain **REAL NAME** Oswald Chesterfield Cobblepot
OCCUPATION Criminal, crook-master, fixer **BASE** Gotham City
HEIGHT 5ft 2in **WEIGHT** 175 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Black
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Devious and ruthless; despite his small stature, he is surprisingly agile, usually prefers to flee rather than fight; formerly favored an array of bizarre umbrella weapons; also used his affinity with birds to assist in his crimes.

OSWALD CHESTERFIELD COBBLEPOT based a criminal [illegible] as the murderous gangster the Penguin on his fascination with [illegible] and ornithology. This fascination dates back to his childhood, growing [illegible] with his widowed mother who ran a pet shop specializing [illegible] exotic birds. Short, paunchy and burdened with a prominent [illegible] nose, his schoolmates nicknamed Oswald the Penguin. His [illegible] mother insisted he carry an umbrella even on sunny days [illegible] making him the target of widespread ridicule.

THE BIRD MAN OF GOTHAM

When he grew up Oswald got his [illegible] back on the world by [illegible] Gotham City [illegible] which inevitably led him [illegible] and Robin time and again. The Penguin [illegible]

LADIES MAN The Penguin [illegible]

[illegible]

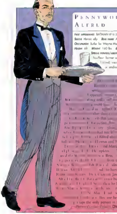
NO MAN'S LAND [illegible]

TALK TO THE BAT [illegible]

EARLY BIRD [illegible]

KEY STORYLINES

- ***PENGUIN TRIUMPHANT* (1992):** A spotlight story on the criminal dealings of a rogue who feels he doesn't get enough respect from the world.
- ***SECRET ORIGINS SPECIAL* (1989):** A look at the tragedy that is the Penguin's life.
- ***BATMAN ANNUAL #11* (1987):** The Penguin is in love, convincing a parole board he deserves his freedom.
- ***BATMAN #25* (OCTOBER-NOVEMBER 1944):** In "The Knights of Knavery," the Penguin teams up with the Joker with nearly deadly results for the Dynamic Duo.



PENNYWORTH, ALFRED

FIRST APPEARANCE BATMAN #16 (May 1943)
STATUS Heroic ally **REAL NAME** Alfred Pennyworth
OCCUPATION Butler for Wayne Manor **BASE** Gotham City
HEIGHT 6ft **WEIGHT** 160 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Black
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Expert medic; mechanic; [illegible] former soldier and actor (professionally [illegible]ned); vocal mimic; unswervingly loyal, and [illegible] endless source of good advice.

[illegible] Dark [illegible] from [illegible] ppeared [illegible] ding emb[illegible] more [illegible]

[illegible] ther than [illegible] ob that [illegible] tection [illegible] had broken [illegible] had not [illegible] Alfred [illegible] Thomas and Martha [illegible] and Martha [illegible] Alfred [illegible] Bruce Wayne [illegible] from the [illegible] to him and [illegible] Dick Grayson, Jason Todd, [illegible] but soon [illegible] than he has survived the destruction [illegible] rthquake that ruined Gotham [illegible] his own [illegible] bout [illegible] he knew Bruce [illegible] Alfred [illegible] the only person in the world [illegible] DW

A GENTLEMAN'S GENTLEMAN
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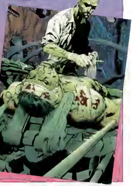


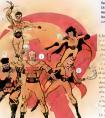
PEOPLE'S HEROES, THE

FIRST APPEARANCE OUTSIDERS (1st series) #10 (August 1986)
STATUS Villain group (disbanded) **BASE** The Russian Federation
MEMBERS AND POWERS
Bolshoi A formidable martial artist and superspeedster.
Hammer He possesses superhuman strength and wields a hammer.
Molotov He has an explosive touch.
Pravda She possesses psychic powers.
Sickle A martial artist; her signature weapon is a razor-sharp sickle.

The People's Heroes were a group of superhuman agents created by Communist scientists using information learned through scientific analysis of the American super team The Force of July. The People's Heroes were assigned to the Russian secret service and battled the American Outsiders twice to a standstill. The People's Heroes later came into conflict with the Suicide Squad during a kidnapping mission. The Squad soundly defeated the Heroes, leaving Pravda for dead.

After a failed attempt by HAMMER AND SICKLE to murder RED STAR, another Russian hero, on behalf of an extreme faction of the Russian government, the People's Heroes were disbanded. However, Molotov and Bolshoi were recruited by the Red Shadows, the Russian counterpart of the Suicide Squad. PJ

COMMUNIST AVENGERS Below, the handsome [illegible] People's Heroes were Russia's [illegible] They are 1) Bolshoi 2) Pravda 3) Molotov 4) Hammer 5) Sickle



PERIL, JOHNNY

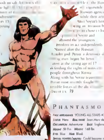
FIRST APPEARANCE COMIC CAVALCADE #22 (September 1947)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Unknown
OCCUPATION Private investigator **BASE** Unnamed Midwestern city
HEIGHT 6ft 2in **WEIGHT** 195 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Blond
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Above-average hand-to-hand fighter; quick-witted and good with a gun.

Johnny Peril's past is a mystery [illegible] who knew him. He [illegible] with adventure and intrigue is almost [illegible] an ah[illegible] He has been [illegible] after a w[illegible] of fortune [illegible] unabashed [illegible] taking [illegible] high risk job where [illegible] than money is at stake. Johnny is certainly well traveled. However, despite his apparent addiction to adventure, Johnny isn't afraid to admit a longing for a more normal [illegible] every once in a while. That is why he currently makes his [illegible] mundane Middle America [illegible] himself up [illegible] a private investigator. He [illegible] the psychic Heather Storm, in whom Johnny [illegible] more than a professional interest. SB

PERKINS, NEPTUNE

FIRST APPEARANCE FLASH COMICS #166 (September 1945)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Neptune Perkins
OCCUPATION Senator and author **BASE** Mobile
HEIGHT 6ft **WEIGHT** 187 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Black
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Neptune Perkins is amphibious and has webbed hands and feet, allowing feet to swim as fast as a swordfish or dolphin; he requires constant exposure to salt water for survival; fair-minded politician and accomplished author.

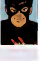
In 1922 Neptune Perkins was born a [illegible] with webbed hands and feet and a [illegible] salt [illegible] the result of being [illegible] conceived [illegible] the [illegible] device. He grew up spending [illegible] and later became a costumed adventurer [illegible] as part of the YOUNG ALL-STARS [illegible] one such mission he fought a young Japanese girl named TSUNAMI when she attacked a naval base. They subsequently fell in love. At one point Perkins was being held against his will by gangsters. HAWKMAN [illegible] in California and rescued him. The heroes prevented the thugs from using Perkins's houseboat as an escape craft following their crime spree, but the vessel was destroyed in the process. Eventually Perkins retired from crimefighting and became a successful author and a senator. After marrying Tsunami, Perkins apparently died in an attack on Atlantis during the Infinite Crisis. RG



PERUN

FIRST APPEARANCE FIRESTORM #72 (June 1988)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Ilya Trepliov
OCCUPATION Hero **BASE** Russian Federation
HEIGHT 6ft **WEIGHT** 165 lbs **EYES** Brown **HAIR** Black
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Able to mentally control electricity within several hundred feet of himself, channeling this energy any way that he chooses.

Perun is a member of SOYUZ, a group of young adventurers in Russia and one of the only super-human [illegible] the Russian government. Soyuz [illegible] rigorously pursued by various Russian agencies including the K.G.B. while their activities were recorded. After Soyuz's heroic defense of Russia during an invasion by alien [illegible] [illegible] Soyuz and allowed the youngsters freedom to act independently. Named after the Russian thunder god, Perun, a determined young man, began his heroic career at the young age of 17, defending the rights of innocent people throughout Russia. Along with his Soyuz teammates, Perun most recently fought the terrible forces of the alien [illegible] IMPERIEX. PJ



PHANTASMO

FIRST APPEARANCE YOUNG ALL STARS #22 (January 1989)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Jean Marc de Villars
OCCUPATION Adventurer **BASE** England
HEIGHT 5ft 9in **WEIGHT** 168 lbs
EYES Blue **HAIR** Black
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Could become intangible and seemed impervious to most organic objects.

Phantasmo was Jean Marc [illegible] and the son of a [illegible] He had the [illegible] and an [illegible] ability to [illegible] common [illegible] Phantasmo [illegible] Young All-Stars, a team of [illegible] heroes who banded [illegible] to oppose the [illegible] World War II and [illegible] with the American Young All-Stars. Phantasmo has [illegible] been seen since 1942 [illegible] post-War activities have been limited [illegible] RG

DIVIDED SOUL Phantasmo [illegible] actually [illegible] and the [illegible] spirit [illegible] by forging an uneasy alliance.

PHANTASM

FIRST APPEARANCE NEW TITANS (1st series) #73 (February 1991)
STATUS Hero (missing in action) **REAL NAME** Inapplicable
OCCUPATION Wraith **BASE** Mobile
HEIGHT None **WEIGHT** None **EYES** None **HAIR** None
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Empathic and telekinetic of staggering power, it being composed of more than a thousand souls.

During the so-called "Titans Hunt," when several TEEN TITANS were brutally murdered by the bizarre WILDEBEEST Society, young telekinetic Danny Chase faked his own demise during a Wildebeest-instigated [illegible] at a Washington, D.C. shopping mall. From various stores Danny then secretly assembled various items [illegible] mask, and an electronic voice modulator—and [illegible] a costumed secret identity: the wraith-like Phantasm. Thus disguised, Danny secretly aided the Titans' leader NIGHTWING, who had infiltrated the Wildebeest Society and learned that the 'beests were powered by disembodied Azarathian souls (see RAVEN). During the final conflict with the Wildebeests, Danny linked his own burgeoning powers to the Titans' Raven and her mother Arella to [illegible] the tainted Azarathians that had taken over fellow [illegible] Jericho and used him to control the Wildebeest [illegible] Danny and Arella died, but their essences merged with the freed Azarathians to create a new and more [illegible] Phantasm that continued to be an ally of the Titans. Phantasm was seemingly destroyed sometime later while attempting to contain the evil [illegible] of a resurrected Raven. SB

PERSUADER

FIRST APPEARANCE ADVENTURE COMICS #352 (January 1967)
STATUS Villain **REAL NAME** Nyeun Chun T
OCCUPATION Professional criminal **BASE** Mobile
HEIGHT 6ft 2in **WEIGHT** 240 lbs **EYES** Brown **HAIR** None
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Atomic axe can cut through any form of matter or energy.

Multiple Persuaders have existed, all of them united by distinctive armor and an "atomic axe" that can cut through anything. Nyeun Chun T is an inhabitant of the 31st century who earned notoriety in the FATAL FIVE and a mortal enemy of the LEGION OF SUPER-HEROES. This Persuader [illegible] appeared in the 21st century with his Fatal [illegible] to battle BATMAN and [illegible] for possession of an artifact linked to the [illegible] A second Persuader, Cole Parker [illegible] dissatisfied after [illegible] his job at the Daily Planet. Later recruited [illegible] the SUICIDE SQUAD, Parker attacked ISIS with his atomic axe, nearly [illegible] her. Her brother [illegible] flew to her rescue [illegible] with the Persuader [illegible] killing him instantly. A new female Persuader has been [illegible] with the Clock King [illegible] Terror Titans. DW

JUST PASSING THROUGH Phantasm [illegible]

PHANTOM OF THE FAIR

FIRST APPEARANCE SECRET ORIGINS (2nd series) #7 (December 1986)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Unknown
OCCUPATION Criminal **BASE** New York World's Fair
HEIGHT Unknown **WEIGHT** Unknown
EYES Unknown **HAIR** Unknown
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Superstrength, partial invulnerability, and enhanced agility. Apparently possesses acrobatic training and talents in the areas of stealth and camouflage.

The brief career of the Phantom of the Fair remains an enigma. On April 30, 1939, the opening day of the New York World's Fair, a masked figure [illegible] the Phantom [illegible] New York City [illegible] World's Fair [illegible] King George VI and Queen Elizabeth of Britain [illegible] the Phantom [illegible] the World's Fair [illegible] World [illegible] DW

PHANTOM STRANGER, THE

FIRST APPEARANCE THE PHANTOM STRANGER (1st series) #1 (September 1952) **STATUS** Hero **REAL NAME** Unknown
OCCUPATION Conscience, advocator **BASE** Mobile
HEIGHT 6ft 2in **WEIGHT** 185 lbs **EYES** White **HAIR** White
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Powers and abilities defy classification; in the past, the Phantom Stranger demonstrated teleportation, control over natural forces, and manipulation of supernatural energies.

[illegible]

PHANTOM LADY I, II & III

FIRST APPEARANCE (I) POLICE COMICS #1 (August 1941) (II) ACTION COMICS WEEKLY #636 (January 1989) (III) CRISIS AFTERMATH: THE BATTLE FOR BLUDHAVEN #1
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** (I) Sandra Knight (II) Delilah "Dee" Tyler (III) Stormy Knight
OCCUPATION (I) Debutante, (II) TV Station employee (III) Quantum physicist **BASE** (I, II, III) Washington DC
HEIGHT (III) 5ft 9in **WEIGHT** (III) 130 lbs **EYES** (III) Blue **HAIR** (III) Black(I) Black
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES (I) Blackout ray wrist device (II) bracelet-mounted ray; costume circuitry defeats electronic surveillance; can project holograms of herself (III) black-light bands can bend space and time, as well as open dimensional portals.

In 1941 Sandra Knight foiled the kidnap of her father, a U.S. Senator, on the steps of the Capitol Building. Scientist Abraham [illegible], impressed by her bravery, [illegible] a special device, a black-light [illegible]. Sandra became the crime-fighting Phantom Lady.

Phantom Lady joined the All-Star Squadron [illegible] and the government [illegible] [illegible] PJ

PHOBIA

FIRST APPEARANCE THE NEW TEEN TITANS (1st series) #14 (December 1981) **STATUS** Villain **REAL NAME** Angela Hawkins III
OCCUPATION Assassin **BASE** Mobile
HEIGHT 5ft 11in **WEIGHT** 151 lbs **EYES** Green **HAIR** Black
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Psychic ability to incapacitate her enemies by conjuring their greatest fears.

[illegible] into the British aristocracy, blue-blooded Angela Hawkins III discovered at an early age that she possessed [illegible] ability to detect the fears of others [illegible] and she could project these terrors to [illegible]. This knowledge made her cold [illegible] and power hungry. She gladly accepted [illegible] the Brain and Monsieur Mallah to join the New Brotherhood of Evil. Now calling herself Phobia, she helped the Brotherhood take [illegible] [illegible] Zandia. DW

PHOBOS

FIRST APPEARANCE WONDER WOMAN (2nd series) #2 (March 1987)
STATUS Villain **REAL NAME** Phobos
OCCUPATION God of Fear **BASE** The Netherworld
HEIGHT 7ft 7in **WEIGHT** 459 lbs **EYES** Red **HAIR** Flaming red
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Invulnerability of the gods; possesses the power to physically manifest the darkest fears of his enemies; [illegible] generates gouts of infernal fire from the netherworld.

[illegible] God of Fear [illegible] the son of Ares and Aphrodite [illegible] with his [illegible] Deimos (God [illegible]) and sister [illegible] (Goddess of Strife). A[illegible] Ares' plot to dominate the Earth, Phobos pit[illegible] himself against Wonder Woman. He released the gorgon Decay [illegible] Wonder Woman [illegible] them into the Netherworld. [illegible] captured Deimos and Phobos fled. Deimos [illegible] by Phobos and his soul placed in the Joker [illegible]. Phobos, Deimos and Eris caused havoc in Gotham City by possessing [illegible], the Joker and Poison Ivy until Wonder Woman and Batman defeated them. Phobos [illegible] by his angry father Ares [illegible]. DW

PLANITEERS, THE

FIRST APPEARANCE ACTION COMICS #127 (December 1948)
STATUS Hero team (disbanded) **BASE** Earth
NOTABLE MEMBERS AND POWERS
General Horatio Tomorrow Superior marksman, pilot, and tactician.
Colonel Tommy Tomorrow Ace pilot, good fighter, crack shot.
Brent Wood Marksman, navigator, and co-pilot.

In the 22nd century, Earth and its colonies throughout the solar system and beyond were protected by the Space Planiteers. These officers of peace patrolled the spaceways, ensuring people and supplies flowed smoothly between worlds. When Earth or its colonies were threatened, the Planiteers acted as the first line of defense. It was the Planiteers who stopped [illegible] Rustwing and his robot [illegible], in addition to a race of aquatic aliens who [illegible] to plunder Earth's resources. Among its great leaders was General Horatio Tomorrow, who worked out of Planiteer headquarters on Earth. One day Horatio found a young boy at Headquarters Bunker D. Horatio took the boy in, named him Thomas, and raised him. He [illegible] joined the Planiteers [illegible]. Along with his best friend, Brent Wood, Tommy [illegible] and his patrol craft *The [illegible] Space Whirl*. The Planiteers ceased to exist [illegible]. RG

PIED PIPER

FIRST APPEARANCE THE FLASH (1st series) #106 (May 1959)
STATUS Hero (reformed villain) **REAL NAME** Hartley Rathaway
OCCUPATION Social activist **BASE** Central City
HEIGHT 5ft 10in **WEIGHT** 158 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Reddish blond
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES An expert in the science of sound who uses various pipes and technological devices to generate destructive sonic blasts or hypnotize others.

MUSICAL MANIA [illegible] of complex [illegible]

[illegible] the sound [illegible] causes. He [illegible] Barry Allen [illegible]. Soon after the [illegible] Pied Piper [illegible] dedicated his life to [illegible]. The Piper became [illegible] Central City's [illegible] teamed up with a group [illegible] arranged a deal for General [illegible] Wally West, the [illegible] together at the [illegible]. [illegible] Piper found [illegible] prior to the Final [illegible]. [illegible] death, Piper [illegible] of killing event [illegible]. PJ

PLASMUS

FIRST APPEARANCE THE NEW TEEN TITANS (1st series) #14 (December 1981)
STATUS Villain **REAL NAME** Otto Von Furth
OCCUPATION Criminal **BASE** Europe
HEIGHT 6ft 4in **WEIGHT** Unknown **EYES** Grey **HAIR** None
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Plasmus's touch brings fiery death and reduces living creatures to burning protoplasm.

While excavating deadly radium [illegible] Otto Von Furth was trapped [illegible] for seven days. During this time he was exposed to lethal levels of radiation which killed [illegible] workers and left Von Furth highly radioactive. While recovering in hospital Von Furth was kidnapped by ex-Nazi scientist General Zahl, whose cruel experiments mutated the miner [illegible] into a blob-like protoplasmic monster with a deadly disintegrating touch.

Dubbed "Plasmus," Von Furth joined Zahl in a villainous team known as the Brotherhood [illegible] opposing the Teen Titans. Plasmus also belonged to the Brotherhood's successor team, the Society of Sin. Plasmus was among the villains who attacked Blüdhaven during the Infinite Crisis. SB

PLASTIC MAN

THE [illegible] PRANKSTER

FIRST APPEARANCE POLICE COMICS #1 (August 1941)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Eel O'Brian
OCCUPATION Adventurer **BASE** Chicago
HEIGHT 6ft 1in **WEIGHT** 178 lbs **EYES** Groovy goggles
HAIR Basic Black **SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES** Capable of stretching every atom in his body into any shape he wishes. He is seemingly unbreakable and his shape-changing is limited only by his own overactive imagination; also has a mercurial sense of humor.

EEL O'BRIAN STARTED OUT [illegible] working hard to make [illegible] Shot by a guard [illegible] Crawford [illegible] stumbled into a vat of acid which [illegible]. He escaped and ended up at R[illegible] retreat. While there he realized [illegible] his human form would also allow [illegible] ways. He became the hero Plastic Man.

[illegible]

A[illegible] All-Star Squadron and the Freedom Fighters [illegible] World War II. Plastic Man was employed by the FBI [illegible] the National Bureau of Investigations. To that [illegible] cases to the NBI [illegible] paired with the sloppy [illegible] Woozy Winks. [illegible] unpredictable partners [illegible] track record [illegible] have brought numerous [illegible] the Dart Eye [illegible] and the B[illegible]

[illegible] In recent [illegible] renegade B[illegible] on several [illegible] [illegible] Dark Knight [illegible] membership [illegible] America. Plastic Man [illegible] his [illegible]

Batman [illegible] His [illegible] of [illegible] plastic [illegible], although [illegible] Plastic Man's seemingly [illegible] JLA [illegible] O'Brian [illegible] a powerful [illegible] virtually [illegible] personal [illegible] a daily [illegible] past [illegible] But [illegible] Plastic Man [illegible] a hero [illegible] a fine father. RG

LUCKY BREAK [illegible]

BUGGED OUT [illegible] Plastic Man [illegible]

KEY STORYLINES
- **PLASTIC MAN (3RD SERIES) #1–6 (FEBRUARY–JULY 2004):** Plastic Man and Woozy Winks in one of their most madcap adventures yet
- **JLA #65 (AUGUST 2002):** Plastic Man reconnects with his son, thanks to Batman
- **PLASTIC MAN (3RD SERIES) #1–4 (NOVEMBER–FEBRUARY 1988–89):** Plas and Woozy face the incredibly inept Ooze brothers
- **POLICE COMICS #1 (AUGUST 1941):** Eel O'Brian turns from petty criminal to costumed crime fighter, thanks to a freak accident

FIRED UP [illegible]

PLASTIC SOLUTION [illegible]

FATHER AND SON [illegible]

PLASTIQUE

FIRST APPEARANCE FURY OF FIRESTORM #7 (December 1982)
STATUS Reformed villain **REAL NAME** Bette Sans Souci
OCCUPATION Former terrorist **BASE** Quebec; Gotham
HEIGHT 5ft 6in **WEIGHT** 141 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Red
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Is able to cause objects to explode by touching them with her fingertips. A demolitions expert, Plastique has received training in urban terrorism and possesses an incendiary temper.

Plastique is a radical French Canadian terrorist committed to winning Quebec's independence by any means necessary. Originally she possessed no superpowers, and so she wore a suit rigged with plastic explosives into the offices of the New York *News Express* in an attempt to extort the newspaper owners.

FIRESTORM foiled her incendiary plot and sent her to prison, but behind bars Plastique received an injection of an experimental serum that gave her the ability to explode objects by touching them. A second criminal caper teamed Plastique with KILLER FROST in a failed attempt to blow up the Niagara Falls power plant.

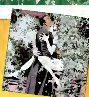
Plastique became semi-reformed when offered the opportunity to work with the SUICIDE SQUAD in exchange for a commuted sentence. Since then she has changed her criminal ways and hooked up with CAPTAIN ATOM, eventually becoming his wife. Plastique currently works with the Suicide Squad and with the Electrocutioner as the two-person "Bomb Squad." DW

POISON IVY

FIRST APPEARANCE BATMAN #181 (June 1966)
STATUS Villain **REAL NAME** Pamela Lillian Isley
OCCUPATION Criminal; eco-terrorist **BASE** Gotham City
HEIGHT 5ft 6in **WEIGHT** 133 lbs **EYES** Green **HAIR** Chestnut
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Poison Ivy's altered body chemistry enables her to exude a venomous variety of floral toxins to which she alone is immune. She carries with her a plethora of poisonous plants that germinate from fast-growing seed pods.

[illegible] Woodrue. The future Floronic Man experimented on her, hoping to create a human plant hybrid. Woodrue succeeded all too well, creating the ravishing-but-deadly Poison Ivy. When [illegible] and untouchable, Ivy was gorgeous and [illegible] porcelain skin soon took on a green [illegible] as chlorophyll replaced her human blood [illegible] maddening pheromones and [illegible] Poison Ivy is more than name.

[illegible] the sun-loving Ivy found herself in [illegible] Gotham City, where she sowed the [illegible] of a criminal career to fund her [illegible] as a green guerrilla champion [illegible] world's diminishing fauna. Ivy also discovered a worthy foe [illegible] BATMAN, who has resisted [illegible] fragrant charms while [illegible] her terr[illegible] [illegible] Ivy's [illegible] [illegible] carnivorous [illegible] [illegible] plant-monster [illegible] Harvest. SB

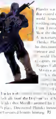


PRETTY POISON [illegible] Batman [illegible] with her [illegible] pheromones. Little did [illegible] that he had Batman in her thrall!

GREENBACKS [illegible] typically [illegible] robbery and extortion help to fund her exotic [illegible]

PLUNDER

FIRST APPEARANCE FLASH (2nd series) #165 (October 2000)
STATUS Villain **REAL NAME** None; a mirror clone of Joseph Morillo
OCCUPATION Bounty hunter **BASE** A mirror image dimension
HEIGHT 5ft 11in **WEIGHT** 190 lbs **EYES** White **HAIR** None
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Plunder is an expert hitman renowned for his unerring aim; he also possesses numerous handguns and other firearms in his armor; a powerful if unsophisticated hand-to-hand combatant.



Plunder was a bounty hunter that existed in a mystical mirror world, housed within the diamond wedding ring of Linda Park (or LINDA PARK-WEST), the wife of Wally West, the third FLASH. A mercenary for the mirror world's Thinker, Plunder discovered that his dimension was fading into nonexistence and hoped to escape into [illegible] world. The Thinker hired Plunder to capture two of the Flash's Rogues Gallery, MIRROR MASTER and CAPTAIN COLD, [illegible] the Flash into their [illegible] dimension. The Flash [illegible] the Thinker's trap and [illegible] the [illegible] dimension. Plunder [illegible] Detective Jared Morillo, a Flash ally and the [illegible] of Meta-human Hostility. Plunder shot Morillo, assumed his form, and briefly took his place. Discovered, Plunder forsook Morillo's identity and resumed bounty hunting. PJ

POLAR BOY

FIRST APPEARANCE ADVENTURE COMICS #306 (March 1963)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Brek Bannin
OCCUPATION Adventurer **BASE** Earth
HEIGHT 5ft 5in **WEIGHT** 140 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Blond
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Like all natives of Tharr, can generate subzero temperatures as a natural defense against a near sun orbit.

Tharr's Brek Bannin has the native power to generate cold. When there was an open call for recruits to join the LEGION OF SUPER-HEROES, Bannin was among the first to apply. He failed the tests but decided to join up with other rejects as the LEGION OF SUBSTITUTE SUPER-HEROES. In the Legion's future, Polar Boy fought the anti-alien regime that had taken control of Earth, helping SUPERMAN and fellow Legionnaires despite the loss of his arm. In an alternate Legion timeline, Brek Bannin became a member of the WANDERERS under the leadership of Garth [illegible] RG

POWER COMPANY

FIRST APPEARANCE JLA #61 (February 2002)
STATUS Hero team **BASE** San Francisco
CURRENT MEMBERS AND POWERS
Josiah Power (managing partner) Can turn into a rock form.
Skyrocket (partner) Argo Harmes lets her channel and control energy.
Manhunter (partner) Clone of Manhunter Paul Kirk; skilled combatant.
Witchfire (partner) Possesses occult conjuring abilities.
Striker Z (associate) Living battery able to power his high tech gear.
Bork (associate) Possesses mystically-granted invulnerability.
Sapphire (associate) Alien "gem casting" can create armor, shielding, and weapons.
Jennifer Elizabeth Barbara Stuart Pilots high tech Haunted Tank.

Billing itself as "the world's foremost supplier of professional superhuman services," The Power Company is a super hero corporation run like a law firm and designed to make a profit. Although founder Josiah Power encourages pro bono work for good causes, high-paying clients often retain the Power Company for security, recovery, or [illegible] missions.

Josiah Power drew upon his past history as a lawyer to win over the Power Company; its partners and associates. His early partners included MANHUNTER, WITCHFIRE, and SKYROCKET, the local hero of St. Louis. Associates included ex-villain Bork, the gunman STRIKER Z, and the runaway called Sapphire.

During the time when Josiah Power lay in a coma from a gunshot wound, the other team members brought aboard FIRESTORM as a temporary associate. Garrison Slate, the CEO of S.T.A.R. Labs, took over as interim administrator. Though Firestorm left the team, they gained new help from Jennifer Stuart and her HAUNTED TANK during the battle against the Dragoneer. Josiah Power has since returned to full health and the Power Company is currently seeking new clients. Few other super hero teams have as deep an understanding of the business market, and it [illegible] that the Power Company is poised to make [illegible] killing. They can only hope that super [illegible] gangs don't follow their lead and begin [illegible] marketing themselves as corporations. **DW**

FURY FORCE
1) Striker Z **2)** Bork **3)** Josiah Power
4) Witchfire **5)** Manhunter
6) Sapphire **7)** Skyrocket

POWER GIRL

FIRST APPEARANCE ALL STAR COMICS #58 (February 1976)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Karen "Kara" Starr
OCCUPATION Software designer; adventurer
BASE Los Angeles; New York City
HEIGHT 5ft 7in **WEIGHT** 160 lbs
EYES Blue **HAIR** Light blonde
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Incredible superstrength, superspeed, near invulnerability, flight.

[illegible]

GRAVITY CRISIS [illegible] held no truths regarding [illegible] identity. She soon [illegible] that she was the [illegible] of the Superman [illegible] Earth-Two, [illegible] had been [illegible] the [illegible]

BRAINS AND BRAWN [illegible]

HEAVY HITTER [illegible] rivaled only by [illegible]

POW-WOW SMITH

First appearance WESTERN COMICS #44 (April 1954)
Status Hero **Real name** Ohiyesa
Occupation Lawman **Base** Elkhorn
Height 6ft 2in **Weight** 190 lbs **Eyes** Black **Hair** Black
Special powers/abilities Ohiyesa turned out to be a clever man quickly mastering the white man's ways, becoming a crack shot and a fine detective.

Sioux brave Ohiyesa left his tribe in Red Deer Valley to learn the ways of the white man in the late 1800s. He became a small town sheriff nicknamed Pow Wow Smith because of his native American heritage and clashed with various rogues, including the Fadeaway Outlaw, an escape artist turned criminal who seemed to vanish after committing his crimes. He married his fellow Sioux tribesmate Fleetfoot and his peace-keeping exploits earned him honorary U.S. citizenship. Despite his sterling record in law enforcement, the prejudiced townsfolk continued to shun him socially or turn on him given the slightest provocation. Rather than react to this Smith let his deeds speak for him.

A descendant of Ohiyesa adopted the name Pow Wow Smith, settled in Red Deer Valley and became a noted private investigator during the late 1940s and 1950s. His son, also known as Ohiyesa, followed in the family tradition. In recent times, he helped ROBIN, HUNTRESS, NIGHTWING, and the local county's Sheriff Shotgun Smith bring the second incarnation of the TRIGGER TWINS to justice. RG

POZHAR

First appearance FIRESTORM #62 (August 1987)
Status Hero (absorbed) **Real name** Mikhail Arkadin
Occupation Former super hero **Base** Moscow
Height 6ft **Weight** 190 lbs **Eyes** Blue **Hair** Black (uniform of skin) **Special powers/abilities** Flight, ability to control nuclear blasts, and immunity to radiation.

Pozhar was a Russian super hero who found a new life by becoming part of the complex history of FIRESTORM. Exposure to a nuclear plant meltdown infused Mikhail Arkadin with atomic powers. Dubbed Pozhar by the Russian secret service, he agreed to battle Firestorm when the American hero decided to disarm the world's nuclear arsenal.

Fighting above the Nevada desert, Pozhar and Firestorm fused into a single entity when government agents fired a missile at them. This new version of Firestorm could only appear when Ronnie Raymond and Arkadin merged; the amnesiac mind of Martin Stein controlled this Firestorm.

Later Raymond and Arkadin merged with the villainous Russian creation Svarozhich, then Firestorm split when Martin Stein turned Firestorm into a fire elemental. Pozhar is still active as a hero. DW

PRANKSTER

First appearance ACTION COMICS #51 (August 1942)
Status Villain **Real name** Oswald Loomis
Occupation Comedian criminal **Base** Metropolis
Height 5ft 9in **Weight** 160 lbs **Eyes** Blue **Hair** Brown
Special powers/abilities Weapons imbued with nanotechnology include tear-gas squirt flowers, 3-D glasses, acid-spitting water gun.

Loomis was a successful television comedian and the host of "The Uncle Oswald Show," a children's morning show in Metropolis. When Morgan Edge, the station president, cancelled his show after 25 years, Loomis snapped and staged a number of bizarre and dangerous pranks throughout the city. Loomis kidnapped Lois Lane (see LANE, LOIS) and held her captive at his studio. When Edge tried to intervene, Loomis hurled him out of a trap door 11 stories above the streets of Metropolis.

SUPERMAN saved Edge and freed Lois before Loomis surrendered. Realizing that he could be in jail for life, the Prankster escaped his guards.

He currently works as a for-hire crime enabler, performing elaborate distractions to occupy Superman while wrongs are elsewhere. PJ

PRAXIS

First appearance THE SPECTRE 2nd series #24 (February 1989)
Status Hero **Real name** Jason Praxis
Occupation Super hero, former police detective **Base** Mobile
Height 7ft 2in **Weight** 168 lbs **Eyes** Blue **Hair** Black
Special powers/abilities Skilled, experienced detective; possesses telepathic and telekinetic control over electricity, including synaptic brain activity, allowing Praxis limited control over others' minds.

Portland police detective Jason Praxis acquired his meta-human ability to manipulate electricity after failing to prevent a serial killer from murdering his niece. Although the killer was detained, the guilt-ridden Praxis left the police force and used his telepathy and telekinesis as a superpowered private investigator. Praxis was recruited by BOOSTER GOLD to join the short-lived corporate super-team the CONGLOMERATE. Later Praxis returned to law enforcement, working alongside FBI agent Donna Walker and preventing malevolent magician Dexter DeFarge from invoking Ghast, one of the devilish DEMONS THREE, and setting him loose on Earth. In mental combat with DeFarge, Praxis was able to transform himself into a being of pure mental energy. It is speculated that Praxis and his powers are related to the Lords of Order, ancient beings in eternal opposition to the Lords of Chaos for universal balance. Praxis continues to use his powers and skills in the cause of justice. SB

PREZ

First appearance PREZ #1 (September 1973)
Status Hero **Real name** Prez Rickard
Occupation Ex-president of the United States **Base** Steadfast
Height 5ft 7in **Weight** 145 lbs **Eyes** Blue **Hair** Blond
Special powers/abilities Prez possesses a sunny, enthusiastic, and optimistic outlook on life that makes people instinctively want to trust him.

A story that makes the rounds at the Inn Between Worlds concerns a teenager named Prez. When Congress changed the Constitution, lowering the minimum age of president from 35 to 18, Prez seized the opportunity to run. After Richard Nixon's time in the Oval Office, the disenchanted populace chose Prez, who served with distinction. His trusted friend, Eagle Free, became director of the FBI. Prez used the powers of his office to stop a new Cold War and preach a new breed of pacifism. A mentally disturbed girl shot and killed Prez's girlfriend and, feeling betrayed by the people, Prez withdrew from office and vanished from public life. A cautionary tale or fanciful yarn? Only the individual can judge. RG

PRIMAL FORCE

First appearance PRIMAL FORCE #0 (October 1994)
Status Hero team **Base** New York City
Members and powers Red Tornado (controls weather), Claw (demonic claw), Golem (regenerative powers), Jack O'Lantern III (energy blasts), Meridian (illusions), Black Condor II (heightened senses); Nightmaster (Sword of Night), Willpower (living thunderbolts)

Also known as the Leymen, the short-lived supergroup Primal Force came into being following the time crisis of Zero Hour. The order of the Leymen have defended Earth for over two thousand years against evil supernatural forces.

Armed with ley pendulums that augmented their natural powers in times of great stress, the new Leymen moved against villains such as Cataclysm, SATANUS, and the sinister cult called the August.

Primal Force disbanded following a confrontation with Cataclysm in New York's Central Park, though its members stand ready. JACK O'LANTERN III in particular remembers a prophecy that foretold he would one day lead the team. DW

Key 1) Golem 2) Red Tornado 3) Meridian 4) Jack O'Lantern III 5) Claw

PRINCE RA-MAN

FIRST APPEARANCE (Merlin) HOUSE OF SECRETS (1st series) #23 (August 1959); (Prince Ra-Man) HOUSE OF SECRETS #73 (August 1965)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Mark Merlin **OCCUPATION** Occultist and adventurer **BASE** Mystery Hill Mansion, in the town of Cloister
HEIGHT (Merlin) 5ft 10in; (Prince Ra-Man) 6ft **WEIGHT** (Merlin) 157 lbs; (Prince Ra-Man) 178 lbs **EYES** (both) Blue **HAIR** (Merlin) Brown; (Prince Ra-Man) Black
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Sorcery, illusion casting, invisibility, mental transference into his cat Memakata, telekinetic powers projected as a beam from his forehead, matter transmutation.

[illegible] ardent Mark Merlin was [illegible] the death of [illegible] who was killed [illegible] the secrets [illegible] Mark [illegible] Mark was transported [illegible] several ancient Egyptian [illegible] Merlin gained [illegible] an ancient Egyptian [illegible]. Calling himself Prince Ra-Man, Merlin battled [illegible] when the Anti-Monitor, a villain from the Anti-Matter [illegible] invaded Earth (see Great Battles, pp. 362–3) [illegible] behind his battered turban [illegible]. PJ

PROFESSOR IVO

FIRST APPEARANCE THE BRAVE AND THE BOLD #30 (July 1960)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Anthony Ivo (alias Professor Ivo)
OCCUPATION Occultist and adventurer **BASE** Mobile
HEIGHT 5ft 10in **WEIGHT** 165 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Black
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Scientific genius; experiments to extend his lifespan have left him deformed and long-lived [illegible] but not immortal.

Anthony Ivo [illegible] fascinated by [illegible] he developed [illegible] of dying [illegible] secretly [illegible] seeming [illegible] himself [illegible] Amazo and began [illegible] with the Justice League [illegible] Amazo [illegible] [illegible] the leaders of JLA [illegible] Aquaman and Wonder Woman [illegible] destroy the [illegible] JLA membership [illegible] dedicated to the cause [illegible] Woman to override [illegible] the saved Earth and [illegible] weapons from the [illegible] helped make an Amazo body [illegible]. SB

PRINCESS PROJECTRA

FIRST APPEARANCE ADVENTURE COMICS #346 (July 1966)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Unknown
OCCUPATION Legionnaire **BASE** Mobile
HEIGHT 5ft 10in **WEIGHT** 130 lbs **EYES** Blue
HAIR White
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Can generate realistic three-dimensional illusions; can enhance her perceptions to see great distances or through solid objects.

[illegible] Projectra is a member of the [illegible] in several timelines that contain [illegible] of the team [illegible] she [illegible] first thought a princess of Orando [illegible] in casting illusions [illegible]

[illegible] the man [illegible] Karate Kid [illegible] death in combat by executing his killer [illegible] Nemesis Kid. The taking of a life [illegible] violation of the Legion's code and [illegible] the team. Later she returned to the Legion [illegible] under the name Sensor Girl, wearing [illegible] that concealed her face. The Sensor Girl travelled back to the 31st century with her fellow Legionnaires during the Lightning Saga, helping to bring back Wally West, the third Flash.

In an alternate Legion timeline Princess Projectra of [illegible] the spoiled monster of the Legion. In another [illegible] home to a species of intelligent snakes, and there [illegible] Projectra analogue is known as Sensor. DW

PROMETHEUS III

FIRST APPEARANCE Prometheus #1 (December 1997)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Unrevealed
OCCUPATION Hero-hunter **BASE** The Ghost Zone
HEIGHT 6ft 1in **WEIGHT** 180 lbs **EYES** Brown
HAIR White **SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES** Brilliant designer of advanced technology and a highly skilled athlete; unique armor is laced with synaptic relays to enhance his fighting prowess; nightstick can shatter steel and override shielded electronic systems.

[illegible] than the OLYMPIAN [illegible] Earth. The [illegible] to me [illegible] the Batman. The [illegible] this part in the [illegible] Bruce Wayne (see Batman), except that [illegible] by evil. As a youngster [illegible] gunned down by a policeman [illegible] eradicating all law officers. He [illegible] ways to maim and kill [illegible] designed to stun opponents [illegible] natural skills, he has turned himself into [illegible] having downloaded the fighting skills of [illegible] his brain. He used a device called [illegible] Key picked up during his studies and found [illegible] the realm of nothingness he calls the Ghost [illegible] he built a Crooked House patterned after his [illegible] where he lives and schemes. He has bested [illegible] LEAGUE OF AMERICA on several occasions [illegible] defeated by CATWOMAN. He also battled [illegible] ARROW in Star City, only to have his superior [illegible] bested by bow and arrow. During the [illegible] Prometheus apparently killed the PEACEMAKER and [illegible] LADY SHIVA in single combat. RG

ONE-MAN ARMY
Prometheus III [illegible] genius and Olympic [illegible] caliber athlete [illegible] hold his own [illegible] the entire JLA.

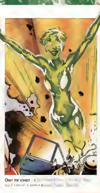
PRYSM

FIRST APPEARANCE TEEN TITANS #1 (October 1996)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Audrey Spears
OCCUPATION Super hero **BASE** Mobile
HEIGHT 6ft 4in **WEIGHT** Indeterminate (constant state)
EYES White **HAIR** Indeterminate
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Vast light-controlling powers, including the ability to capture and collect light, fire light beams, and turn invisible.

Audrey Spears was an alien experiment by the H'San Natall [illegible] Like the other Earth-bred hybrids (ARGENT II, JOTO, and RISK), she grew up inside a virtual reality fantasy provided by her alien keepers. Although happy with her idyllic life based on 1950s television, she soon learned that her truth was a lie.

Returning to Earth with the other hybrid teens, Audrey adopted the codename Prysm for her ability to manipulate light. Prysm and her fellow hybrids (along with a de-aged ATOM II) founded the post-Zero Hour TEEN TITANS. Prysm found her glassy appearance freakish and rejoiced when she lost her powers during a journey to the WARLORD's realm of Skartaris—though she voluntarily regained them in order to save her teammates.

After Joto died in battle, Prysm carried his soul inside her own body for months before finally releasing it. She ultimately met her true parents—her human mother, Queen M[illegible], and her H'San Natall father, Elijah—and convinced the rest of the H'San Natall to leave Earth in peace. At last feeling at home, Prysm chose to remain with her parents in space. Prysm's feelings of alienation were heightened by the unrequited crush she had on her teammate Risk. DW



ONLY THE LONELY [illegible] found [illegible] another [illegible]

PSIMON

FIRST APPEARANCE NEW TEEN TITANS (1st series) #2 (January 1981)
STATUS Villain (deceased) **REAL NAME** Simon Jones
OCCUPATION Scientist, criminal **BASE** Mobile
HEIGHT 5ft 11in **WEIGHT** 145 lbs **EYES** White **HAIR** None
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Almost unrivaled psychic abilities, including telepathy, telekinesis, and mind control; projects mental forces blasts strong enough to pulverize stone or turn a human brain to jelly.

Physicist Simon Jones [illegible] the barriers between [illegible] experiments [illegible] endowing him with amazing psychic powers. As Psimon, Jones recruited a gang of villains called the FEARSOME FIVE, who battled with the NEW TEEN TITANS. One of the [illegible] discovered Psimon was an agent of [illegible] Jones's power. After [illegible] the Titans, Trigon banished [illegible] another dimension.

The Fearsome Five freed him [illegible] fought the Titans, the Outsiders [illegible] headquarters, New York. [illegible] Atlantis [illegible] with DOCTOR SIVANA [illegible] Psimon found himself exiled on a prison planet during Operation Salvation [Run.] Here the Joker bashed [illegible] with a rock. PJ

BACK AGAIN Psimon has returned [illegible] Earth [illegible] seemingly [illegible]

PSYCHO PIRATE

FIRST APPEARANCE SHOWCASE #56 (May–June 1965)
STATUS Villain **REAL NAME** Roger Hayden
OCCUPATION Costumed criminal **BASE** Mobile
HEIGHT 6ft **WEIGHT** 180 lbs **EYES** Green **HAIR** Red
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES While wearing the Medusa Mask, can control the emotions of individuals or groups. Possesses a limited and undefined influence over people erased from time due to the Crisis.

From humble origins the Psycho Pirate became a pivotal figure in two universe-shaking CRISIS events. While in prison Hayden met the original Golden Age Psycho-Pirate, who encouraged him to carry on his legacy. After acquiring the mystical Medusa Mask, Hayden realized he could control others' emotions and went into business as the new Psycho Pirate, serving both [illegible] the SECRET SOCIETY OF SUPER VILLAINS. Small [illegible] became cosmic-level threat when the Anti-Monitor (see MONITORS) recruited the Psycho-Pirate during the Crisis on Infinite Earths. Hayden survived the ordeal with full memories of the multiverse that had been erased, an experience that drove him mad. During the Infinite Crisis Alexander Luthor used the Psycho Pirate to [illegible] POWER GIRL and BLACK ADAM [illegible] captives. After escaping, Black Adam punched a hole through the Psycho Pirate's [illegible] revived through the power of the Medusa Mask. R[illegible] Hayden now sells his skills as a pusher of emotional drugs.

PUNCH AND JEWELEE

FIRST APPEARANCE CAPTAIN ATOM (1st series) #85 (March 1967)
STATUS Villains **REAL NAME** Unrevealed
OCCUPATION Puppeteers, criminals **BASE** American Midwest
HEIGHT (Punch) 5ft 5in (Jewelee) 5ft 7in **WEIGHT** (Punch) 125 lbs (Jewelee) 129 lbs **EYES** (Punch) Brown (Jewelee) Blue
HAIR (Punch) Brown (Jewelee) Blonde **SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES** (Punch) Flying boot and electrically charged weapons; (Jewelee) hypno-jewels project illusions and light effects.

Punch and Jewelee were lovers, puppeteers, and part-time thieves working at Coney Island in Brooklyn, New York. The two crooks discovered a chest containing several alien weapons and used them to craft more formidable criminal guises for themselves. As their ambitions grew, Punch and Jewelee used the alien technology to create [illegible] underground headquarters in Coney Island [illegible] attempted to steal the minds of several [illegible] scientists in order to sell them to the [illegible] bidder. The two became frequent foes of [illegible] and KING FARADAY.

The duo were renowned pranksters by now, with a growing reputation for acts of mindless violence. They were thus ideal candidates for the SUICIDE SQUAD, run by Amanda Waller (see WALLER, AMANDA). [illegible] unpredictable, the duo were [illegible] from the Squad when Jewelee [illegible] pregnant. Punch and Jewelee moved to the American heartland to raise their new baby and briefly forsook their criminal lives. Punch and Jewelee joined the most recent Suicide Squad. However, their first mission ended in tragedy when a gunman finally shot Punch. PJ

QUANTUM MECHANICS

FIRST APPEARANCE JLA: HEAVEN'S LADDER (November 2000)
STATUS Cosmic beings **BASE** Mobile
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Possessed of virtually god-like powers and intellects, the Quantum Mechanics are capable of practically any feat that their imaginations can conceive, including teleporting entire worlds (including Earth) half-way across the universe.

Born at the Big Bang, the Quantum Mechanics roamed the universe seeking celestial enlightenment. Fear of their own mortality coupled with their inability to conceive of an afterlife prompted the Quantum Mechanics to create a vision of heaven. They created thousands of agents to study the cultures of the universe, gathering information about each version of heaven to build the perfect hereafter for themselves. The JUSTICE LEAGUE OF AMERICA first discovered the Quantum Mechanics when these ancient beings abducted planet Earth as well as hundreds of other worlds they had been studying to create their own "ladder" to heaven. When a rogue faction of the Quantum Mechanics threatened to destroy them all these worlds, the JLA were forced to battle the cosmic creatures, eventually helping them cross over to a higher plane of existence. PJ

COLORBLIND A [illegible] to see the [illegible] red aided the JLA members when they attacked her cloaked in [illegible] Man's red costume. Big Barda made the Queen Bee see the error of her ways with a crunching blow from her Mega Rod!

QUEEN BEE II

FIRST APPEARANCE JLA #34 (October 1999)
STATUS Villain **REAL NAME** Zazzala
OCCUPATION Royal Genetrix **BASE** The planet Korll
HEIGHT 5ft 9in **WEIGHT** 226 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Grey black
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Multifaceted eyes see in the ultraviolet spectrum; gauntlet on right arm fires poisonous barbed stingers from adhesive venom sacs; hypno-pollen capable of bending others to her will; has a mindless army of drones at her disposal.

The first Queen Bee was a woman with hypnotic power who seized control of the state of Bialya after killing its dictator Colonel Rumaan Harjavti (see HARJAVTI, RUMAAN & SUMAAN). She soon died at the hands of his brother Sumaan.

The second Queen Bee, *Zazzala*, ruler of planet Korll and its ever-expanding empire, was far more dangerous. In her closest encounter with Earth, the Queen Bee and her swarms of Bee-Troopers joined Lex Luthor's INJUSTICE GANG in a plot to defeat the JLA and conquer Earth. In return for the firepower of her drones, Zazzala was offered a percentage of Earth's populace as slaves. The first to suffer were the citizens of New York City, which became the site of the Queen Bee's Royal Egg-Matrix and ground zero for her planned planetary domination (after betraying Luthor). After her defeat the Queen Bee retreated to Korll. She re-emerged as a member of the SECRET SOCIETY OF SUPER VILLAINS (see VILLAINS UNITED) at the hand of H.I.V.E., a global criminal syndicate. The Secret Six sabotage H.I.V.E. operations and left the H.I.V.E. in ruins. SB

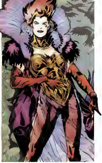
QUEEN OF FABLES

FIRST APPEARANCE JUSTICE LEAGUE OF AMERICA #47 (November 2000) **STATUS** Villain **REAL NAME** Unknown
OCCUPATION Sorceress **BASE** Other-dimensional space
HEIGHT Tall and willowy **WEIGHT** Light as a feather
EYES Twin sapphires **HAIR** Sleekest ebony
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Magical ability to make the monsters and myths of storybook fables real.

[illegible] the Queen of Fables arrived on Earth [illegible] Possessed of vast magical power, she [illegible] herself and met defeat at the hands of the virtuous princess Snow White. Imprisoned within a storybook until the dawn of the 21st century, the Queen of Fables escaped to sow chaos in New York City by conjuring up ogres, witches, and goblins.

The JUSTICE LEAGUE OF AMERICA clashed with the Queen of Fables when she attacked WONDER WOMAN, believing the Amazon to be her old nemesis Snow White. With her unique brand of sorcery, the Queen drew the Leaguers into the realm of fairy tales, where they faced the worst monstrosities of the imagination. She even transformed Manhattan Island into an enchanted forest festooned with hanging moss and creeping ivy.

Eventually Wonder Woman used her lasso to defeat the Queen of Fables, forcing the Queen to confront the truth of her own unreality. She is now imprisoned inside a text book — the United States Tax Code. With its dry, literal pages, the Queen of Fables would be unable to find any magical [illegible]. DW



STORY TIME [illegible]

QUESTION I & II, THE

FIRST APPEARANCE BLUE BEETLE (3rd series) #1 (June 1967)
STATUS Hero (deceased) **REAL NAME** Charles Victor Szasz
OCCUPATION Television journalist (as Vic Sage) **BASE** Hub City
HEIGHT 6ft 2in **WEIGHT** 185 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Reddish blond
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Trained by Richard Dragon, Vic is a formidable fighter and martial artist

FIRST APPEARANCE (as the Question) 52 #48 (April 2007)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Renee Montoya
OCCUPATION Vigilante **BASE** Gotham City
HEIGHT 5ft 8in **WEIGHT** 144 lbs **EYES** Brown **HAIR** Black
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Expert combatant, detective and interrogator; master of disguise

CRIME SCENE [illegible]

Victor [illegible] Sage [illegible] K BEE [illegible] he took [illegible] he couldn't [illegible] his features [illegible] by his friend [illegible] Myra Connell [illegible] perhaps [illegible] adventure [illegible] RG

CRUSADER [illegible] Sage became [illegible] using his fists to find truth in corrupt Hub City.

QUICK, JESSE

FIRST APPEARANCE Justice Society of America (2nd series) #1 (August 1992) **STATUS** Hero (retired) **REAL NAME** Jesse Chambers
OCCUPATION C.E.O. of Quickstart Enterprises **BASE** Keystone City
HEIGHT 5ft 9in **WEIGHT** 142 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Blonde
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Superspeed, superstrength, flight, martial arts

Jesse Chambers is the daughter of Johnny Quick (see QUICK, JOHNNY) and LIBERTY BELLE, two heroes of World War II. Jesse inherited her parents' powers and gained superspeed by reciting her father's formula (3x2(9YZ)4A), which allowed her to tap into the Speed Force.

An ally of the FLASH, MAX MERCURY, and Impulse (see KID FLASH), Jesse Quick, as [illegible] Chambers called herself, became a prominent speedster in Keystone City. She was also a member of the JUSTICE SOCIETY OF AMERICA and the TEEN TITANS. After her father's death at the hands of SAVITAR, Jesse inherited his role as C.E.O. of Quickstart Enterprises.

Jesse retired the Jesse Quick identity when she became the new Liberty Belle. She now serves with the JSA alongside her husband, HOURMAN. PJ

QUICK, JOHNNY

FIRST APPEARANCE MORE FUN COMICS #71 (September 1941)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Johnny Chambers
OCCUPATION Super hero **BASE** New York City
HEIGHT 5ft 11in **WEIGHT** 178 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Blonde
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Superspeed; can pass through objects by vibrating his molecules and briefly "fly"

[illegible] When young Johnny [illegible] he could [illegible] 3X2(9YZ)4A." So began a [illegible] costumed [illegible] World War II [illegible] mystery men to [illegible] the ALL STAR SQUADRON, Johnny Quick worked with [illegible] Flash) and dated [illegible] LIBERTY BELLE [illegible] Johnny Quick did not [illegible] when the [illegible] American Activities Committee ordered all mystery [illegible] in the 1950s. Nevertheless, Johnny spent [illegible] in the hero game in order to build up his [illegible] business and to spend time with his daughter Jesse (see QUICK, JESSE).

Though Johnny Quick claimed he didn't believe in the Speed Force, his magic formula acted as mental [illegible] that channeled the extra-dimensional speed energy [illegible] his body. He became one with the Speed Force when he sacrificed himself in battle against the [illegible] SAVITAR. He is survived by Jesse, who adventured as Jesse Quick (see QUICK, JESSE) before assuming her [illegible] as the new Liberty Belle. DW

AND HE'S OFF Although less [illegible] fellow [illegible] Johnny Quick [illegible] member of the [illegible] All-Star Squadron.

ROMANTIC MOMENTS

SUPER HEROES ARE ESSENTIALLY SOLDIERS ready to go into battle at a moment's notice and regularly brushing up against death. With this as a backdrop, it's understandable that these amazing superbeings form desperate, passionate, often short-lived liaisons. Although a few relationships belie that stereotype, having lasted for years, tellingly, few steady romances exist where *both* partners are costumed heroes.

OFFICE ROMANCE When Lois first met Clark, she [illegible] but eventually [illegible] competent [illegible] loving [illegible].

CLARK KENT AND LOIS LANE

Perhaps no pair is more different yet more suited for one another than the ace reporter from Metropolis and the farmboy from Smallville, Kansas. As co-workers at the *Daily Planet*, they gradually put aside their professional rivalry (as well as Lois's infatuation with SUPERMAN) and learned to cherish all that they had in common. Eventually Clark revealed his secret identity to Lois and the two were married. Fortunately, because so few know of Clark Kent's famous alter ego, the happy ceremony [illegible] remained unmarred by super-villains or other occupational hazards.

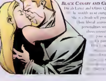
To date, [illegible] not spawned any jealousy over the fact that his [illegible] she has to share Superman with the world. [illegible] however, Clark and Lois's relationship [illegible] Clark deals with work-related stress at the *Daily Planet*, Lois still provides the human grounding the Man of Steel desperately needs.

GREEN LANTERN AND CAROL FERRIS

The head of Ferris Aircraft, Carol Ferris was first and foremost Hal Jordan's boss, but the cocky test pilot did not let their professional relationship prevent him from striking up a steamy romance. Their romance became increasingly complicated when the Zamarons made Carol their new warrior queen (STAR SAPPHIRE) and pitted her against GREEN LANTERN. Immediately after Hal became the supremely powerful PARALLAX, he shared a final kiss with Carol before sacrificing his life to reignite Earth's sun.

NIGHTWING AND ORACLE

Dick Grayson as Robin fell for Barbara Gordon [illegible] Batgirl, calling her the first person to make my heart sing. Mutual [illegible] led to passion, though the only thing that remained constant in their relationship [illegible] the inconsistency of their on-again off-again romance. [illegible] paralysing injury by the Joker and her subsequent role as Oracle [illegible] split up [illegible] Dick's reckless disregard for his own safety as NIGHTWING [illegible] Nightwing and Oracle [illegible] their love.



BLACK CANARY AND GREEN ARROW

Dinah Lance and Oliver Queen are two of the world's most outspoken heroes. She is a brash self-promoter. He [illegible] liberal activist. Their strong personalities seem to draw them inexorably together [illegible] passionate arguments [illegible] [illegible]

ANIMAL MAN

Suburban super hero Buddy Baker led the perfect family life with his wife Ellen. High school sweethearts Buddy and Ellen raised two children, Cliff and Maxine, in between Buddy's adventuring stints as ANIMAL MAN. Eventually his powers overtook his life, causing him to seek out his own religion based on animal power. This placed severe strain on Buddy's relationship with Ellen.

THE FLASH AND LINDA PARK

Remarkable among super-hero romances for its permanence, the marriage between Wally West (Flash III) and Linda Park. [illegible] between Wally's mentor Barry Allen (Flash II) and Barry's wife Iris Allen [illegible]. Linda maintained her independence (formerly a TV reporter, [illegible] medical studies) and did not allow her husband's career [illegible] to overshadow her [illegible]. The couple's greatest happiness came when Linda announced she was pregnant with twins. [illegible] super-villain Zoom stole their [illegible] Linda to miscarry [illegible]

SUPERBOY AND WONDER GIRL

These two powerful teens have tried to push away their troubles [illegible] comfort in each other's arms. Superboy wrestles with the knowledge that he [illegible] created with DNA extracted from Superman and Lex Luthor (*see* Luthor, Lex). Wonder Girl [illegible] to live up to the high expectations of her mother, top archaeologist Helena Sandsmark, her mentor Wonder Woman, and the entire pantheon of Olympian Gods. A stolen kiss atop San Francisco's Titans Tower typified the way outside pressures seemed determined to [illegible] this young romance when Wonder Woman, determined to control all outside influences on Cassie Sandsmark's life (including Superboy's affections), yanked Superboy off the roof in mid-[illegible] and launched him a quarter mile over San Francisco bay!

BATMAN AND CATWOMAN

The Dark Knight and the Femme Fatale [illegible] flirtation for years [illegible] Catwoman's playfulness and the [illegible] between the two best [illegible] in Gotham. When the [illegible] Hush and Batman's worst foe [illegible] Catwoman joins [illegible] relationship that soon led to [illegible]. Batman is an expert at [illegible] his suspicions [illegible] Catwoman's motives and [illegible] the parted ways [illegible]. **DW**

PLAYING CATCH-UP *Batman and Catwoman [illegible] by death-defying [illegible] through the [illegible] not always clear who is chasing whom.*

RAG DOLL II

FIRST APPEARANCE VILLAINS UNITED #1 (March 2005)
STATUS Villain **REAL NAME** Unrevealed
OCCUPATION Professional criminal **BASE** Mobile
HEIGHT 5ft 11in **WEIGHT** 120 lbs **EYES** Green **HAIR** None
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Double-jointed contortionist achieved through extensive surgery; expert grappler

[illegible]

CONTORTIONIST Rag Doll [illegible]

SENSITIVE SKIN *The modifications Rag Doll II has made to his body [illegible] and [illegible]*

[illegible] DW

RAJAK, COLONEL

FIRST APPEARANCE ADVENTURES OF SUPERMAN #590 (May 2001)
STATUS Villain **REAL NAME** Ebad Rajak
OCCUPATION Dictator **BASE** Bialya
HEIGHT 5ft 6in **WEIGHT** 155 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Black
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES No superpowers, but a charismatic and willful commander who leads an army of fanatical followers

[illegible] RG

RAGMAN

FIRST APPEARANCE RAGMAN 1st series #1 (September 1976)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Rory Regan
OCCUPATION Defender of the weak **BASE** Gotham City
HEIGHT 5ft 11in **WEIGHT** 165 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Brown
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Costume grants superhuman strength, speed, agility, and the ability to float on air. It claims the souls of the wicked by engulfing them within the Ragman's tatters.

To protect themselves from persecution, the Jews of 16th century Prague animated a soulless Golem from river clay. Wary of the monster they created, the Council of Rabbis decreed that the Golem should be replaced with a human defender. The Rabbis chose rags to clothe their new champion who, like the Golem, was empowered by a verse in the Kabbalah. Thus, the "Ragman" was first woven to guard over the Warsaw Ghetto. During World War II, Jerzy Reganiewicz took up the patchwork mantle of Ragman to protect Warsaw's Jews from the Nazis. Tragically, Jerzy failed to spare his people from the horrors of the Holocaust. Years later, Jerzy (renamed Gerry Regan after emigrating to the U.S.) passed down the Ragman's suit to his son, Rory, who first wore it to defend the oppressed denizens of Gotham City's slums. From his "Rags 'n' Tatters" junk shop, Rory continues to add new rags to the gaudy garment of the "Tattered Tatterdemalion," Ragman. Ragman joined the SHADOWPACT prior to the Infinite Crisis, fighting the maddened SPECTRE alongside his teammates and spending a year trapped inside a mystical sphere encasing Riverrock, Wyoming. SB

RAMULUS

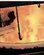
FIRST APPEARANCE WORLD'S FINEST #6 (Summer 1942)
STATUS Villain **REAL NAME** Unknown
OCCUPATION Scientist **BASE** The Magic Forest, upstate New York
HEIGHT 6ft 3in **WEIGHT** 185 lbs **EYES** White **HAIR** Green
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Can control vegetation with his mind, specifically giant vines, his so-called Tendrils of Terror

[illegible] PJ

Rā's al Ghūl

First appearance Batman #232 (June 1971)
Status Villain (deceased) **Real name** Unknown
Occupation International terrorist **Base** Mobile **Height** 6ft 5in
Weight 215 lbs **Eyes** Blue **Hair** Gray with white streaks
Special powers/abilities A master swordsman and ruthless hand-to-hand combatant. Rā's al Ghūl has lived for many centuries amassing great wealth and power, as well as a treasure trove of knowledge during his centuries-long existence.

Although not truly immortal, the international terrorist Rā's al Ghūl was one of the most long-lived men on the planet. In Arabic, his name translates as "The Demon's Head," a fitting sobriquet for someone so sinister. Rā's al Ghūl's primary purpose during his extended life was to restore the Earth's ecological balance. Unfortunately, this seemingly altruistic goal led to him committing global genocide to reduce mankind's polluting numbers.



***Lazarus pits** Like a macabre fountain of youth, these fiery pits sustained Rā's al Ghūl's incredible vim and vigor.*

***Bodyguard** Ubu shadows every move Rā's makes. Ubus are chosen in mortal combat matches and will give their lives to protect the Demon's Head.*

Eco-Terrorist

For centuries, Rā's al Ghūl maintained his existence by periodically immersing himself in "Lazarus Pits," pools filled with an alchemical mix of acids and poisons excavated above the electromagnetic ley lines crisscrossing the Earth. Following his emergence from the liquid in the Lazarus Pit, Rā's al Ghūl would, for a short time, be consumed with insane fury. For this reason, Rā's demanded solitude when rejuvenating himself.

Rā's al Ghūl's schemes to return Earth to an Eden-like splendor have been thwarted time and again by **Batman**. The Dark Knight first met the enigmatic eco-terrorist when Rā's al Ghūl, desiring an heir for his crime empire, kidnapped **Robin** in an attempt to coerce the Dark Knight into marrying his daughter, **Talia**. Naturally, Batman refused, and although he had deep feelings for the beautiful Talia, he continued to oppose Rā's al Ghūl schemes.

Rā's al Ghūl's most ambitious attack upon humanity occurred with his creation of the Ebola Gulf-A plague that decimated the population of Gotham City. This plague, dubbed the "Clench" due to its victims' writhing ends, was halted by the Dark Knight and his squires, who later learned that Rā's al Ghūl had deciphered the virus's genetic code from an ancient "Wheel of Plagues." With it, Rā's al Ghūl would have unleashed even more virulent contagions if not for the intervention of the Bat-Family.

Rā's al Ghūl continued to seek a suitable heir, even considering the musclebound terrorist Bane, before Talia spurned this potential suitor. The dejected Bane then set about sabotaging Rā's al Ghūl's Lazarus Pits to get revenge.

***Master schemer** Not content with making Batman's life miserable, the Demon's Head has involved other super heroes, including the Man of Steel, in his "world saving" plots.*

***Swordplay** A renowned swordsman with centuries of fighting experience, Rā's has challenged Batman to duels on many occasions in order to put the Dark Knight's mettle to the test.*

***Daughter dearest** Nyssa succeeded where others could not, ending the long life of the Demon's Head!*

Meanwhile, Rā's al Ghūl created worldwide anarchy with his electronic "Tower of Babel," which rendered all languages unintelligible until the **Justice League of America** destroyed it. Talia left her father's side soon after, hired by Lex Luthor (see **Luthor, Lex**) to run his company LexCorp.

Other challengers to Rā's's throne emerged, including his second daughter Nyssa, who killed her father and attempted to take over his worldwide empire. But Rā's al Ghūl did not stay dead for long. Brought back in the body of a decaying corpse, he tried to transfer his soul into the body of Damian, the young son of Batman and Talia. Thwarted, he instead inhabited the form of his estranged son, the White Ghost. SB

Key Storylines

- ***Batman* #232 (June 1971):** Rā's al Ghūl makes his first appearance kidnapping the Boy Wonder to force Batman to do his bidding!
- ***Detective Comics* #700 (August 1996):** As the multipart "Legacy" storyline begins, Rā's al Ghūl uses the ancient Wheel of Plagues, responsible for Gotham City's Clench outbreak, to unleash an even worse contagion!
- ***Batman: Death and the Maidens* #1–9 (October 2003–June 2004):** Nyssa, daughter of Rā's al Ghūl, plots her father's demise in order to take over his worldwide criminal empire! Is this the end for the Demon's Head, or the beginning of another infamous dynasty?

RAVEN

FIRST APPEARANCE DC COMICS PRESENTS #26 (October 1980)
STATUS Heroic victim of evil **REAL NAME** Raven
OCCUPATION Adventurer **BASE** Mobile
HEIGHT 5ft 11in **WEIGHT** 139 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Black
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Raven has empathic and limited healing abilities in addition to a psychic connection with all things mystical. In many ways, still an innocent and susceptible to overwhelming mystic forces.

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DEMON PARENT [illegible]

RAVERS, THE

FIRST APPEARANCE SUPERBOY AND THE RAVERS #1 (Sept. 1996)
STATUS Hero team **BASE** The traveling rave Event Horizon
CURRENT MEMBERS AND POWERS
Superboy (Leader) Flight, superstrength, and invulnerability
Kaliber Guardian with shrinking and growing powers
Aura Possesses powerful magnetic abilities.
Hero Cruz Force field generated from Achilles Vest
Hero H Dial allows transformation into a super-hero identity
Rex the Wonder Dog Enhanced intelligence
Sparx Can wield electricity, flight

The Event Horizon was an intergalactic party frequented by a host of teens invited by club owner Kindred Marx—the catch was that only those with superpowers could get in. The Ravers, led by Superboy, were the most outrageous of the club's regulars. By touching their hand stamps, the teens could teleport to the Event Horizon from anywhere in the universe.

The Ravers came into conflict with rival clique Red Shirt and the interdimensional police force [illegible] They also helped [illegible] of New Genesis foil Darkseid [illegible] power of the [illegible] Half Life [illegible] battle against the [illegible] of the Anti-Matter [illegible] (see Weapons [illegible]); Kindred Marx [illegible] the Event Horizon and most of the Ravers went their separate ways. DW

THE RAVERS **1)** *Hardrock* **2)** [illegible] **3)** *Half Life* **4)** [illegible] **5)** *Kaliber* **6)** *Aura*

RAY I, II & III

FIRST APPEARANCE (I) SMASH COMICS #14 (September 1940); (II) THE RAY #1 (February 1992); (III) DCU BRAVE NEW WORLD (July 2006)
STATUS Heroes **REAL NAMES** (I) "Happy" Terrill; (II) Raymond C. Terrill; (III) Stan Silver Terrill **OCCUPATIONS** (I) Reporter; (II) computer programmer; (III) Wealthy playboy **BASES** (I) New York City; (II) Philadelphia; (III) Washington DC **HEIGHTS** (I) 5ft 10.5in; (II) 5ft 10in; (III) 6ft 1in **WEIGHTS** (I) 165 lbs; (II) 155 lbs; (III) 195lbs
EYES (I) Blue; (II) Green; (III) White **HAIR** (I) Blonde; (II) red; (III) blond **SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES** (I) Absorbs heat, light, electricity; projects light and electrical blasts, superspeed flight; (II) absorbs sunlight for power; projects energy blasts, superspeed flight; rearranges molecular matter; (III) Capable of turning his body into living light.

[illegible] Raymond [illegible] with [illegible] him [illegible] PJ

WAR WOUND [illegible]

SON OF THE FATHER [illegible] powers [illegible] the [illegible] greatest defenders.

Raymond, Roy– TV Detective

FIRST APPEARANCE DETECTIVE COMICS #153 (November 1949)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Roy Raymond
OCCUPATION Television host (retired) **BASE** Metropolis
HEIGHT 5ft 10.5in **WEIGHT** 175 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Brown
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Though marked by age, Raymond once possessed a brilliant analytical mind. He was an average hand-to-hand combatant when push came to shove.

Roy Raymond first gained fame as host of the *Impossible—But True* television series, a program revealing the strange and weird from all over the world. Debunking hoaxes on the show earned Roy the title "TV Detective." Raymond's deductive skill was put to the test in many adventures; he often aided the police and was usually accompanied by his scheming assistant Karen Colby. Raymond eventually retired after a horrifying encounter with the "Wild Thing," a creature grown by the SWAMP THING to become Earth's next plant elemental. Raymond's son Roy Raymond Jr. later [illegible] claiming to be sole heir to the family legacy with his own true crime and [illegible] series. However, young Roy Raymond Jr. lacks his father's good looks and keen intellect. SB

GHOSTBUSTER Roy Raymond (right) exposes yet another phony phantom.

Red Bee

FIRST APPEARANCE HIT COMICS #1 (July 1940)
STATUS Hero (deceased) **REAL NAME** Richard Raleigh
OCCUPATION Assistant District Attorney **BASE** Superior City
HEIGHT 5ft 9.5in **WEIGHT** 147 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Reddish-blond
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES An amazing beekeeper, training them to aid him in his fight against crime; also developed a special stinger gun that stunned criminals.

Assistant District Attorney Richard Raleigh became the costumed crime-fighter Red Bee in Superior City, Oregon, in the 1940s. He believed that taking direct action was the only way to ensure that justice was done in America. In his first case as the Red Bee he took on the city's political machine and brought down its corrupt leader "Boss" Snyder. Raleigh's main crime-fighting asset was his trained swarm of bees; his favorite was named Michael and kept in his belt buckle for special needs. Red Bee was later recruited to join the ALL-STAR SQUADRON as the U.S. was plunged into World War II. The Apis Avenger, as he was nicknamed, appreciated being surrounded by his costumed colleagues, although he recognized he was outpowered by most of them. Still, he fought with bravery, something recalled by surviving teammates years later. He survived at least into 1944 as a member of the FREEDOM FIGHTERS. His grandniece Jenna is the newest Red Bee, possessing insectoid powers that nearly destroyed the Freedom Fighters. RG

Red Hood

FIRST APPEARANCE (historical) DETECTIVE COMICS #168 (February 1951)
STATUS Antihero **REAL NAME** Jason Todd
OCCUPATION Vigilante **BASE** Gotham City
HEIGHT 6ft **WEIGHT** 225 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Black
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Skilled acrobat, gymnast, and hand-to-hand combatant.

The Red Hood first appeared as the head of the Red Hood gang. What police didn't realize was that different thugs wore the costume each time to create the illusion that the gang's crimes had been coordinated by a mastermind. When the man that would later become the JOKER donned the hood during a botched raid on a chemical plant, he fell into a vat of toxins and emerged with his skin bleached chalk white.

Many years later, the Red Hood appeared again as the alter ego of Jason Todd, the second ROBIN. The Joker had murdered Todd, but the reality-warping events surrounding the Infinite Crisis returned him to life as an embittered and vengeful adult. As the Red Hood, Todd took out his anger on the Joker and triggered a Gotham gang war that practically ruined the holdings of BLACK MASK.

Todd retired the Red Hood identity prior to the Final Crisis. After a visit to the parallel world of Earth-51, he assumed the name and costume of Red Robin. DW

Red Panzer

FIRST APPEARANCE WONDER WOMAN (1st series) #228 (February 1977)
STATUS Villain **REAL NAME** Helmut Streicher
OCCUPATION Super-villain **BASE** Mobile
HEIGHT 6ft **WEIGHT** 190 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Brown
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Powered warsuit can withstand most damage and fire energy blasts; also provides limited resistance to damage.

Helmut Streicher, a general in the German army during World War II, developed an armored warsuit in order to prevent a vision of the Third Reich's defeat that he had witnessed through a time-scanner coming true. Battling the JUSTICE SOCIETY OF AMERICA under the name Red Panzer, Streicher found his most opponent to be HIPPOLYTA, who served as WONDER WOMAN throughout the war.

Streicher died after Adolf Hitler's defeat, but the Red Panzer cast such a long shadow that no less than three successors have since worn his armor. Red Panzer II is a neo-Nazi who perished in battle with the current Wonder Woman and TROIA.

The third Red Panzer got his start while still a teenager after his father murdered his mother for perceived imperfections in her genetic history. Raised in foster homes with his father behind bars, the young man assumed a new identity as Red Panzer III, though he constantly battled with self-loathing, knowing that his blood was not 100% Aryan. Red Panzer III joined VANDAL SAVAGE's villainous team TARTARUS, but he died at the hands of the leader of the H.I.V.E. syndicate (see H.I.V.E. and DARHK, DAMIEN). Vandal Savage hired a new Tartarus member to wear the crimson armor, and Red Panzer IV is still active today on the island nation of Zandia. DW

Red Star

FIRST APPEARANCE TEEN TITANS (1st series) #18 (December 1968)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Leonid Kovar
OCCUPATION Scientist adventurer **BASE** Russian Federation
HEIGHT 5ft 10in **WEIGHT** 180 lbs **EYES** Green **HAIR** Blond
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Kovar possesses superhuman strength and endurance; his body can turn into white-hot flame.

Leonid Kovar and his father discovered a [illegible] spacecraft in the Yenisei River. The teenage Leonid was bathed in alien energies emanating from the vessel, giving him superpowers. Touted by the media as the Russian super hero Starfire, he battled the TEEN TITANS on more than one occasion, clashing with the team's conservative member Wally West, Kid Flash (see FLASH III). Even after Starfire's fiancée was murdered by an insane Russian official, Leonid remained committed to his country's communist ideals and became Red Star.

Red Star was part of an information exchange on metahuman development between the U.S. and Russian governments. The exchange was sabotaged by HAMMER & SICKLE and Red Star's communist beliefs were sorely tested. When JERICHO took control of the WILDEBEEST Society and attacked the Titans, Red Star joined forces with his former adversaries. Red Star later adopted fellow Titans Pantha and Wildebeest, relocating the family unit to Science City, Russia. After Superboy-Prime killed Pantha and Wildebeest during the Infinite Crisis, Red Star became Russia's elite State Protector. PJ

RED TORNADO

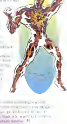
FIRST APPEARANCE JUSTICE LEAGUE OF AMERICA #17 (February 1963)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** John Smith
OCCUPATION Adventurer
BASE Happy Harbor, Rhode Island
HEIGHT 6ft 1in **WEIGHT** 225 lbs
EYES None **HAIR** None
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Can generate cyclones; has demonstrated limited control over the weather

[illegible] by [illegible] and [illegible] the [illegible] living [illegible] found to [illegible] by the [illegible] the JUSTICE [illegible] turned on his creator [illegible] called himself John Smith [illegible] the orphan girl [illegible] Red Tornado's [illegible] of duty reconstituting himself as a mentor to Young Justice [illegible] the Red [illegible] he became a pawn in a [illegible] SB/DW

REBORN [illegible]

REPLICANT

FIRST APPEARANCE THE FLASH SECRET FILES #2 (November 1999)
STATUS Villain **REAL NAME** Anthony Gambi
OCCUPATION Criminal **BASE** Central City
HEIGHT 7ft 5in **WEIGHT** 325 lbs **EYES** Mirrored **HAIR** None
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Can imitate other superpowers; projection of ice, flame, weather control



[illegible] an orphan [illegible] number [illegible] Rogues [illegible] Rogues [illegible] Man Alive [illegible] Replicant [illegible] Rogue [illegible] Replicant [illegible] dangerous foe of the new Flash [illegible] (Wally West) on an alternate timeline. PJ

RED TORPEDO

FIRST APPEARANCE CRACK COMICS #1 (May 1940)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** James Lockhart
OCCUPATION Adventurer **BASE** Mobile
HEIGHT 5ft 8in **WEIGHT** 170 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Black
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Lockhart's Red Torpedo could not only travel more below the sea's surface, but also float on it and fly in the sky

Based on [illegible] island in the South Seas, [illegible] Navy captain [illegible] Lockhart [illegible] a navigable torpedo [illegible] and became the Red Torpedo [illegible] and Nazis. The Red Torpedo [illegible] the Black [illegible] On December 7, 1941 [illegible] Sam's team and the [illegible] attempt to turn back the Japanese attack on Pearl Harbor, Red Torpedo was one of several heroes captured by the Japanese. He was [illegible] and returned stateside, hanging up his mask. Years later Lockhart was asked by [illegible] MIDNIGHT [illegible] time as STARMAN [illegible] Lockhart now [illegible] RG

SUPER SUB [illegible] Red Torpedo

RELATIVE HEROES

FIRST APPEARANCE RELATIVE HEROES #1 (March 2000)
STATUS Hero team **BASE** Mobile
CURRENT MEMBERS AND POWERS
HOUSTON (LEADER) No superhuman abilities.
Temper Can control electricity.
Allure Possesses magically-based persuasive abilities.
Blindside Has the power of invisibility.
Omen Can imitate the superpowers of those around him.

Orphaned by a [illegible] the superpowered [illegible] children embarked on a road trip [illegible] SUPERMAN, an odyssey that became the [illegible] of the Relative Heroes. [illegible] officers and DEO [illegible] the Relative Heroes team [illegible] Eldest brother Joel [illegible] sister Aviva (Temper), her [illegible] Damara [illegible] (Allure), and the [illegible] brothers Tyson Gilford (Blindside) [illegible] Begay (Omen). When the [illegible] Metropolis, the scientists at [illegible] that Omen came from [illegible] The Relative Heroes convinced [illegible] on Earth [illegible] Heroes [illegible] but they [illegible] for the future. DW

KEY
1) Blindside **2)** Houston **3)** [illegible] **4)** Temper **5)** Omen

RESURRECTION MAN

FIRST APPEARANCE RESURRECTION MAN #1 (March 1997)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Mitchell "Mitch" Shelley
OCCUPATION Former lawyer; adventurer **BASE** Mobile
HEIGHT 6ft 1in **WEIGHT** 190 lbs **EYES** Brown **HAIR** White
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES An immortal champion imbued with new superpowers each time he is reborn; his distinctive coat and hat are remade by the tektites when damaged

Mitch Shelley is an immortal [illegible] for a brief time believed he was [illegible] IMMORTAL MAN imbued with [illegible] after exposure to the same [illegible] that created the villain VANDAL [illegible]. In truth Shelley was lawyer [illegible] ted up on by the Lab, a [illegible] organization that injected [illegible] microscopic nanobots—into his bloodstream. [illegible] Shelley possessed the closest thing [illegible] with a different superpower each time he was [illegible] of the U.S. in search of his lost memories [illegible] he fought AMAZO, the [illegible] JUSTICE LEAGUE OF AMERICA [illegible] learned that he was [illegible] [illegible] with [illegible] Little Nazi [illegible] and [illegible] the Whirlwind into the present [illegible] Mitch Sh[illegible] [illegible]

HEROIC PATHS [illegible]

GHOST OF A CHANCE Resurrection Ma[illegible] zombies

DERANGED *The Reverse-Flash was a menace to everyone he encountered.*

REVERSE-FLASH

FIRST APPEARANCE FLASH (1st series) #139 (September 1963)
STATUS Villain (deceased) **REAL NAME** Eobard Thawne
OCCUPATION Super-villain **BASE** 25th century Central City
HEIGHT 5ft 11in **WEIGHT** 179 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Reddish blonde
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Could run at near light speeds, vibrating through solid objects or temporal dimensions, though not a skilled combatant; his ill-bent mind led him to use his speed dangerously

[illegible] Reverse-Flash [illegible] Barry Allen, [illegible] [illegible] provided the [illegible] Thawne [illegible] several years after Allen's death [illegible] Battles, pp. 362–3). Conclusive evidence Thawne [illegible] stating that he would one day become the evil [illegible] into psychological shock, and he briefly [illegible] Barry Allen before returning to his own time [illegible] a hatred of Barry Allen. He dyed his costume [illegible] colors and returned to the 20th century as [illegible] the Reverse-Flash. His attempts to win the heart [illegible] Allen's wife, Iris (see ALLEN, IRIS), failed dismally, so a bitter [illegible] apparently murdered her. Barry Allen sent his nemesis [illegible] another dimension, but Thawne returned to menace Allen's [illegible] fiancée, Fiona Webb. This time Allen accidentally killed the Reverse-Flash by snapping his neck. In the aftermath Barry Allen [illegible] of manslaughter and Iris Allen revealed that she had [illegible] a citizen of the 30th century. **DW**

MEASURING UP A [illegible] Barry Allen quickly [illegible] Thawne [illegible]

RIDDLER, THE

PRINCE OF PUZZLERS

FIRST APPEARANCE DETECTIVE COMICS #140 (October 1948)
STATUS Villain **REAL NAME** Edward Nigma (née Nashton)
OCCUPATION Professional criminal **BASE** Gotham City
HEIGHT 6ft 1in **WEIGHT** 183 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Black
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Brilliant in his own twisted way but a poor hand-to-hand fighter. His addiction to leaving "enigmatic" clues to his crimes for Batman always proves his undoing.

RIDDLER'S GANG [illegible]

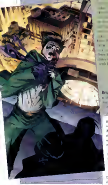
TRICKS FOR KICKS [illegible] *with the Dynamic Duo.*

EDWARD NIGMA [illegible] once [illegible] secretly [illegible] the fastest [illegible] solved the [illegible] puzzle [illegible] her's desk [illegible] uniform [illegible]. After that [illegible] became [illegible]. [illegible] took a job as a carnival barker [illegible]. From there, it was only a [illegible] became full-time as one of Gotham City's [illegible] the Riddler.

ASKING THE QUESTIONS

The Riddler [illegible] committing a crime [illegible] first posing a riddle [illegible] a solution of the [illegible] display [illegible] Riddler spent [illegible]

[illegible] When [illegible] from [illegible] with [illegible] RG



NO JOKING MATTER [illegible]

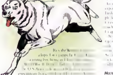
RETURN OF HUSH [illegible] *start Hush.*

KEY STORYLINES

- ***BATMAN #608–619 (DECEMBER 2002–NOVEMBER 2004):*** Partnered with Hush, the Riddler sets out on an elaborate scheme to kill Batman after learning his secret identity.
- ***BATMAN #452–454 (AUGUST–SEPTEMBER 1990):*** In "Dark Knight, Dark City," the Riddler is possessed by the spirits of Gotham's founders as Batman learns about the city's gruesome beginnings.
- ***SECRET ORIGINS SPECIAL (1989):*** How Edward Nigma turned from cheater to master criminal.
- ***THE QUESTION #26 (MARCH 1989):*** Fleeing Gotham for Hub City, the Riddler wants to make a clean start, but fails once again.

REX, THE WONDER DOG

FIRST APPEARANCE THE ADVENTURES OF REX THE WONDER DOG #1 (February 1952) **STATUS** Hero **REAL NAME** Rex
OCCUPATION Soldier; intergalactic Rover **BASE** Mobile
HEIGHT 2ft 8in **WEIGHT** 80 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** White
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Incredibly intelligent; he can communicate with animals and humans alike.



Rex the W[illegible] a lop[illegible] puppy [illegible] a young boy living in [illegible] World War II. D[illegible] the U.S. Army [illegible] experiment[illegible] These experiment[illegible] the [illegible] pup [illegible] Doctor [illegible] Rex escaped [illegible] [illegible] World War II and the Korean War.

Danny grew up [illegible] the military friendsh[illegible] [illegible] together the b[illegible] and his dog [illegible] the world helping to defend [illegible] [illegible] the Fountain of Youth [illegible] the Detective Chimp [illegible] [illegible] and eventually [illegible] the intergalactic [illegible] [illegible] the U.S. government [illegible] Animal [illegible] and he helped the [illegible] Death [illegible] [illegible] PJ

FISTS OF FURY *Ever* [illegible] *and* [illegible] *the danger* [illegible] *by the Apokolyptian* [illegible] *known as Rip R*[illegible]

RIDDLER, THE *See opposite page*

RIOT

FIRST APPEARANCE SUPERMAN: THE MAN OF STEEL #61 (Oct. 1996)
STATUS Villain **REAL NAME** Frederick Legion
OCCUPATION Super-criminal **BASE** Metropolis
HEIGHT 5ft 10in **WEIGHT** 145 lbs **EYES** Black **HAIR** Black
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Can create multiple duplicates of himself and reintegrate the copies at will.

Overw[illegible] by chemist Frederick Legion [illegible] that there [illegible] to complete all his experiments [illegible] there were someone two [illegible] [illegible] phase shifter and plucked [illegible] from alternate microseconds in the [illegible] He [illegible] to duplicate without the aid of machinery, but the physical stress drove him mad and altered his appearance [illegible] a ghastly skeleton.

Now known as Riot, the multiplying menace clashed repeatedly with SUPERMAN, but the Man of Steel's punches [illegible] Media mogul Morgan Edge [illegible] Riot into the Superman Revenge Squad (alongside [illegible] Barrage, MAXIMA, and Misa), but the team never [illegible] after the Infinite Crisis, Riot and others tried [illegible] to kill a returning Superman. DW

MULTIPLICATION *R*[illegible]

RIP ROAR

FIRST APPEARANCE YOUNG JUSTICE #7 (September [illegible])
STATUS Villain **REAL NAME** None
OCCUPATION Warrior **BASE** Formerly Apokolips
HEIGHT 7ft 6in **WEIGHT** 380 lbs
EYES Red **HAIR** Strawberry blond
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Monstrously strong; able to project both fire and ice.

[illegible] and juggernaut Rip [illegible] his hated rival [illegible] a tribute for them [illegible] Rip Roar stole a Super-Cycle (see [illegible]) from New Genesis, home of the New Gods, who opposed Darkseid. Rip Roar [illegible] and rode roughshod over [illegible] Darkseid's name. Knowing that his father [illegible] Rip Roar's destructiveness, Kalibak [illegible] Darkseid [illegible] to sabotage. Rip [illegible] Boom Tube, Roar wound up [illegible] a mountain on Earth until he [illegible] freed by YOUNG JUSTICE. After [illegible] heroes buried Rip Roar [illegible] the Department of Extranormal [illegible] (DEO) recovered the warrior [illegible] in its custody for now. SB

RISING SUN

FIRST APPEARANCE SUPER FRIENDS #8 (November 1977)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Izumi Yasunari
OCCUPATION Doctor; adventurer **BASE** Tokyo, Japan
HEIGHT 5ft 9in **WEIGHT** 165 lbs **EYES** Brown **HAIR** Black
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Absorbs solar energy and can project intense heat, light, and flame from his body. He can also generate superheated solar winds and use them to fly at great speeds.

Izumi Yasunari's grandparents were both survivors of the atom bomb dropped on Nagasaki, Japan, by the U.S. in 1945, which brought World War II to an end. Both of Izumi's grandparents later developed cancer and died. Izumi's mother also developed cancer but was treated with chemotherapy. Horrified by the genetic disposition of his family for degenerative disease, Izumi and his [illegible] Wataru became doctors specializing in [illegible] while their youngest sister, Kaori, joined a religious [illegible]

Izumi used his abilities to absorb solar radiation and became Rising Sun, a staunch defender of Japan who believes his country should take a less partisan approach to world affairs. Rising Sun joined the GLOBAL GUARDIANS, serving with them unwaveringly for years. [illegible] Sun is [illegible] flirt and has vigorously pursued [illegible] with DOCTOR LIGHT II for some time. PJ

RISK

FIRST APPEARANCE TEEN TITANS (2nd series) #1 (October 1996)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Cody Driscoll
OCCUPATION Student **BASE** Mobile
HEIGHT 5ft 10in **WEIGHT** 180 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Blond
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES The result of an alien experiment, Cody is a mutant with superhuman strength, speed, and stamina.

A race called the H'san Natall came to Earth and conducted breeding experiments on humans. This resulted in [illegible] birth of four children who grew up to develop [illegible] powers. Their names were ARGENT II (Toni Monetti), Joto (Isaiah Crockett), PRYSM, and Risk (Cody Driscoll), and they were eventually gathered together by Mr. Jupiter and [illegible] to form a new incarnation of the TEEN TITANS. The Atom II joined them at the point in [illegible] was returned to his teenage [illegible] physique. During [illegible] of adventures they learned of their true nature and tracked down the H'san Natall, which resulted in Prysm and Joto remaining in space with them. Risk and Joto chose to return to Earth [illegible] forgoing their [illegible] identities. Risk lost his [illegible] arm in battle [illegible] Superboy-Prime and later joined DEATHSTROKE's villainous team [illegible] Last. RG

RISKY BUSINESS [illegible]

ROBIN

THE BOY WONDER

DICK GRAYSON (ROBIN I)
FIRST APPEARANCE DETECTIVE COMICS #38 (April 1940)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Richard "Dick" Grayson
OCCUPATION Crime fighter, police officer **BASE** Gotham City
HEIGHT 5ft 10in **WEIGHT** 175 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Black

JASON TODD (ROBIN II)
FIRST APPEARANCE DETECTIVE COMICS #526 (September 1983)
STATUS Hero (deceased) **REAL NAME** Jason Todd
OCCUPATION Crime fighter, student **BASE** Gotham City
HEIGHT 5ft 2in **WEIGHT** 105 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Black

TIM DRAKE (ROBIN III)
FIRST APPEARANCE (as Tim Drake) BATMAN #436 (August 1989) (as Robin) BATMAN #457 (December 1990)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Timothy Drake
OCCUPATION Student, crime fighter **BASE** Gotham City
HEIGHT 5ft 5in **WEIGHT** 125 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Black
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES
Like the previous Robins, Tim Drake was trained by Batman in martial arts, as well as sleuthing skills. He is adept in the use of electronic devices, especially computers. Tim's utility belt carries the standard complement of Batarangs, gas capsules, de-cel [illegible] and other tools. His R insignia doubles as a razor-sharp shuriken. Robin's costume is lined with Kevlar and Nomex [illegible], making it bulletproof and fire-resistant. His mask is fitted with Starlite night vision lenses. Typically, Robins have ridden customized Batcycles in their own colors, but Tim prefers his Redbird, a [illegible] second only to the Batmobile.

As a member of the Flying Graysons acrobatic family, young Dick Grayson thrilled audiences nightly on the high wire alongside his circus acrobat parents. But when gangster "Boss" Zucco sabotaged the high wire because the owner of Haly's Circus refused to offer up protection money, the elder Graysons paid with their lives. Billionaire Bruce Wayne was in the audience that night; however it was BATMAN who visited the grieving Dick Grayson, offering the boy a chance at retribution by becoming Robin, the Dark Knight's squire in his personal war on crime.

DICK GRAYSON

The first Robin was carefully schooled by Batman, learning all the skills he would need to bring "Boss" Zucco to justice. Before long, Dick was ready for action. Swearing a solemn oath, he joined the Dark Knight's crusade as his most trusted partner, Robin the Boy Wonder.

After several years in service to the Dark Knight, Grayson—then leader of the TEEN TITANS—relinquished the mantle of Robin when Batman forced him to choose between his duties with the Titans and his promise to aid the Dark Knight. Adopting the identity of NIGHTWING, Dick continued to battle crime while remaining Batman's close ally.

JASON TODD

Batman met juvenile delinquent and presumed orphan Jason Todd when the boy literally tried to steal the tires right off the Batmobile. With original partner Dick Grayson having given up the role of Robin, Batman decided to take Jason in and offer him both a home and a purpose. Jason began the same training regimen Grayson [illegible] took to become the Dark Knight's partner. However, Jason was a troubled soul who lacked Batman's [illegible] and was quick to anger.

A DEATH IN THE FAMILY

[illegible] Jason [illegible] that his lost mother was alive [illegible] Tragically the trail [illegible] the Joker, who savagely [illegible] Wonder within an inch of his life. Robin died [illegible] but returned to life years later as a [illegible] of the [illegible] Infinite Crisis. Now an [illegible] Jason had become the [illegible] of the Red Hood and [illegible] Gotham [illegible] He later joined with [illegible] Kyle Rayner on a search through the [illegible] multiverse [illegible] Ray Palmer [illegible]

THE DEATH OF ROBIN Batman cradled Jason [illegible] arms, blaming himself [illegible]

SENSATIONAL DEBUT [illegible]

BRUCE WAYNE'S WARD
[illegible] Bruce Wayne [illegible] legal guardian Wayne [illegible] Dick [illegible] the Dark Knight [illegible]

TRAINING [illegible]

TIM DRAKE

Tim Drake [illegible] the Flying Graysons [illegible] Tim [illegible] the first Boy Wonder [illegible]

MODERN STUDENT [illegible] Robin.

THE THIRD ROBIN

[illegible] to the latest incarnation of the Teen Titans.

THE TEEN TITANS
Tim Drake and his fellow Young Justice [illegible] teenage heroes disbanded, and members Robin, Kid Flash II, Superboy, and Wonder Girl II graduated to an all-new incarnation of the TEEN TITANS that includes Titans teammates BEAST BOY, CYBORG, and STARFIRE, all mentors to the less experienced junior Titans.

STEPHANIE BROWN

The fourth Robin [illegible] served for [illegible] fired by the [illegible] Spoiler accidentally [illegible] was [illegible] captured and tortured [illegible]

- **BATMAN #426–429 (DECEMBER 1988–JANUARY 1989)** While searching for his biological mother, Jason Todd is murdered by the Joker! Batman's resolve is sorely tested as "A Death in the Family" brings terrible tragedy to the Batcave.
- **BATMAN CHRONICLES: THE GAUNTLET (1997)** Dick Grayson's "final exam" to become Batman's partner involves surviving a night alone in Gotham.
- **ROBIN: YEAR ONE #1–4 (OCTOBER 2000–JANUARY 2001)** Dick Grayson's first year as Boy Wonder includes victories against Mad Hatter and Mr. Freeze, but a near fatal encounter with Two-Face!

ROBOTMAN I

FIRST APPEARANCE STAR SPANGLED COMICS #7 (April 1942)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAMES** Robert Crane; Charles Grayson
OCCUPATION College professor **BASE** Ivy Town
HEIGHT 6ft 1in **WEIGHT** 487 lbs **EYES** Red **HAIR** None
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Robot body gives superstrength and increased imperviousness to harm; telescoping arms and legs, torches in fingers, telescopic vision.

Scientists Doctor Robert Crane and his assistant Charles Grayson were working on a mechanical body that could house a human brain. In 1941 Crane was shot by crooks trying to steal his designs and Grayson transplanted the doctor's brain into the robot body to save him. Crane [illegible] Robotman and a member of the All-Star Squadron. Lawyer Sam Slattery tried [illegible] Crane declared [illegible] both men [illegible] Robotman revealed he was Robert Crane and [illegible] Slattery from [illegible] pending. The [illegible] ruled that Robotman was [illegible] being. After his death [illegible] body was frozen. As per [illegible] wishes, Crane's brain [illegible] from Robotman [illegible] transplanted into Grayson's body. Crane now works as a college professor in Ivy Town. PJ

ROBOTMAN II

FIRST APPEARANCE MY GREATEST ADVENTURE #80 (June 1963)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Cliff Steele
OCCUPATION Doom Patrol leader **BASE** Mobile
HEIGHT 6ft 1in **WEIGHT** 295 lbs **EYES** Red **HAIR** None
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Durable robot body provides enhanced strength and speed; photocellular eyes can see into non-visible wavelengths.

Despite being trapped in a metal body, Cliff Steele has often cursed his life. But beyond the bitterness lies the [illegible] spirit of a natural leader. Cliff Steele has served with every incarnation of the Doom Patrol since its founding. Steele once enjoyed wealth and fame as a race car driver until [illegible] accident shredded his body. Dr. Niles Caulder [illegible] Chief. The [illegible] saved Steele's brain by planting it into a body made [illegible] metal. Steele joined [illegible] new Doom Patrol under [illegible] Robotman (named after the [illegible]). Later he would learn that Caulder had caused his crash. After the third Doom Patrol disbanded, Steele's former teammate Dorothy Spinner [illegible] accidentally [illegible] his body and conjured an illusory Robotman with her mental powers. This [illegible] Robotman led the fourth [illegible] Doom Patrol, though Cliff Steele soon [illegible] fresh [illegible] form. [illegible] DW

ROCKET RED BRIGADE

FIRST APPEARANCE GREEN LANTERN CORPS #208 (January 1987)
STATUS Hero team **BASE** None; formerly the U.S.S.R.
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Superstrong armor was equipped with solar-powered propulsion system, super-heated plasma blasters, automatic defenses, electrified net, and magnetic boots; armor made its wearer mecha-empathic: able to control any electronic device.

At the height of the Cold War, Soviet [illegible] over the [illegible] American [illegible] the U.S.S.R. [illegible] to create its own super heroes. The Rocket Red initiative [illegible] have been a ghastly failure without the aid of GREEN LANTERN KILOWOG. With his help, the program successfully increased human soldiers' strength and endurance and outfitted them with high-tech battlesuits. The Rocket Red Brigade was soon participating in the defense of the Soviet Union. An economic crash left the Rocket Reds in rusting disrepair and the fall of the Soviet Union allowed the Russian mob to take possession of some battlesuits. The Rocket Red Brigade reappeared following the Infinite Crisis, guarding the Russian border against foreign invasions. Captain Maks Charov, the current Rocket Red, is also the White Queen's Knight in CHECKMATE. SB

ROSA, MASTER SPY

FIRST APPEARANCE MEN OF WAR #17 (June 1979)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Unrevealed
OCCUPATION Secret agent (freelance) **BASE** Europe
HEIGHT 5ft 2in **WEIGHT** 105 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Blond
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Well trained with pistol, rifle, sword, knife and garrote, in addition to being a master of disguise.

In the latter half of the 19th century Europe was torn apart by war and revolution. One man fought in the shadows of these upheavals, a man whose true name was unknown, called Rosa, Master Spy. It was rumored that Rosa was a man without a country, born aboard a sailing ship somewhere between America and Europe; his parentage unknown. Some say he was raised by a military man and trained in the arts of personal combat and war.

While [illegible] Rosa [illegible] possessed an [illegible] was also [illegible] most European languages. He [illegible] espionage agent [illegible] government [illegible], at the price [illegible] moral issues [illegible] right. It has [illegible] speculated [illegible] have been [illegible] as Jack Knight's (STARMAN VI) [illegible] RG

SPECIAL AGENT [illegible]

ROSE AND THORN

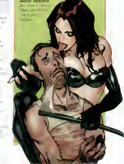
FIRST APPEARANCE (I) FLASH COMICS #89 (Nov 1947); (II) LOIS LANE #105 (Nov 1970) **STATUS** Villains **REAL NAME** Rose Canton (I); Rhosyn "Rose" Forrest (II) **OCCUPATION** Botanist; criminal (I); adventurer (II) **BASE** Midvale (I); Metropolis (II) **HEIGHT** 5ft 7in (I); 5ft 6in (II) **WEIGHT** 140 lbs (I); 125 lbs (II) **EYES** Green (I); blue, green as Thorn (II) **HAIR** (I) Blonde, red as Thorn; (II) Red **SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES** (I) Controls growth of vines; (II) fighter; athlete.

Thorn was a nemesis for Jay Garrick, the original Flash. The Thorn was a manifestation of Rose Canton's split personality. Exposure to a root on the island of Tobins had made Rose able to control certain types of vegetation, yet she could not direct the Thorn's actions or the timing of her appearances. After a psychological cure, she adopted the identity of Alyx Florin and married GREEN LANTERN Alan Scott. When Thorn threatened to re-emerge, Rose fled. She bore Alan's twins, Todd Rice (OBSIDIAN) and Jennifer Lynn Hayden (JADE), then had them adopted. When the struggle against Thorn became too much, Rose Canton killed herself.

The current Rose and Thorn is unconnected to Rose Canton. Rhosyn Forrest was the daughter of Metropolis [illegible]. Phil Forrest [illegible] fell in the line of duty [illegible] hands of the criminal [illegible] called the 100. The teenage [illegible] spent [illegible] in a mental institution where her [illegible] an alternate Thorn identity to [illegible] thoughts. Upon release, Thorn [illegible] a costumed vigilante, battling the [illegible] the 100 morphed [illegible] the syndicate's side. DW

THORNY PROBLEMS [illegible]

SADISTIC SEDUCTRESS [illegible]



ROSS, PETE

FIRST APPEARANCE SUPERBOY #86 (January 1961)
STATUS Ally **REAL NAME** Peter Joseph Ross
OCCUPATION Former Vice President; former senator
BASE Washington, D.C.
HEIGHT 5ft 3in **WEIGHT** 185 lbs **EYES** Brown **HAIR** Black
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Athletic; highly capable administrator

[illegible] Smallville [illegible] the only [illegible] back to Smallville [illegible] had fallen in love with [illegible] successfully ran for [illegible] in Washington [illegible] matters.

When [illegible] newly [illegible] needed [illegible] Superman [illegible] [illegible] RG

ROULETTE

FIRST APPEARANCE JSA SECRET FILES AND ORIGINS #2 (September 2001)
STATUS Villain **REAL NAME** Victoria Sinclair
OCCUPATION Casino owner **BASE** The Nevada desert
HEIGHT 5ft 9in **WEIGHT** 140 lbs
EYES Green **HAIR** Red
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Near superhuman ability to count cards, analyze body posture and gestures, and predict an opponent's moves.

Roulette owns the House, a [illegible] underground casino that [illegible] "fight club" arena for super [illegible] The House's casino and [illegible] miles beneath the Nevada desert [illegible] underground complex [illegible] the granddaughter of the first [illegible] joined the House with her husband [illegible] with her grandfather [illegible]

[illegible] troubles [illegible] gamblers [illegible] kidnapped members of the JUSTICE SOCIETY of America [illegible] the JSA escaped [illegible] and destroyed the complex.

A high-stakes gambler [illegible] win at all costs, Roulette [illegible] House [illegible] the JUSTICE LEAGUE of America [illegible] but deadly threat. PJ

THE ROYAL FLUSH GANG.
1) Ace **2)** King **3)** Queen
4) Ten **5)** Jack

ROYAL FLUSH GANG

FIRST APPEARANCE JUSTICE LEAGUE OF AMERICA #43 (March 1966)
STATUS Villains (played out) **BASE** Atlantic City
MEMBERS AND POWERS
Ace Herculean android muscle
King Made immortal by Dominator's gene-bomb
Queen Razor-sharp blades in wrist-gauntlets
Jack Possessed laser eye-implant
Ten Costume featured explosive spades; kept in radio contact with sub-gang of runaway teen thieves.

The Royal Flush Gang began as a group of juvenile delinquents, led by Amos Fortune (*see* FORTUNE, AMOS) who would one day become a criminal mastermind famous [illegible] fashion with the JUSTICE LEAGUE OF AMERICA. Following the gang's defeat [illegible] the Royal Flush Gang [illegible] (or lack thereof). A new Gang was [illegible] by Hector Hammond (*see* HAMMOND, HECTOR), foe of GREEN LANTERN Hal [illegible]. When Hammond abandoned them [illegible] outfits [illegible] weapons. However, they were easily defeated by the TEEN TITANS. [illegible] the [illegible] was [illegible] one lineup of the Royal Flush Gang during the Infinite Crisis, but the group has reappeared since. SB

ROVING RANGER

FIRST APPEARANCE ALL STAR WESTERN #58 (May 195[illegible]
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Jeff Graham
OCCUPATION Texas Ranger **BASE** 1860s Texas
HEIGHT 6ft **WEIGHT** 172 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Blond
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES The Roving Ranger was a courageous crime fighter, well known throughout 19th-century Texas as an expert marksman and equestrian.

[illegible] Civil War [illegible] his home [illegible] Texas and [illegible] the Texas Rangers [illegible] Major Hawk [illegible] Ranger [illegible] who had [illegible] Civil War [illegible] Roving Ranger [illegible] the ULTRA-HUMANITE [illegible] a space shuttle from Cape [illegible] returned to the past [illegible] the Texas Rangers until the [illegible] PJ

RYAN, RUSTY

FIRST APPEARANCE FEATURE COMICS #32 (May 1940)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Rusty Ryan
OCCUPATION Patriot **BASE** Boyville
HEIGHT 5ft 4in **WEIGHT** 110 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Brown
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES No special powers, but charismatic personality and determination

[illegible] Rusty Ryan [illegible] student in Boyville [illegible] Rusty and his best [illegible] criminal plots in the area [illegible] Boyville [illegible] development and [illegible] Rusty organized the Boyville Brigadiers (who wore red, white and blue [illegible] including his pal [illegible] They saw to it that their part of America [illegible] kept safe from criminals, spies, saboteurs and [illegible] RG

S.H.A.D.E.

First appearance SEVEN SOLDIERS: FRANKENSTEIN #3 (January 2006) **Status** Hero Team **Base** Mobile
Current members and powers
Father Time Immortality, body-switching
Frankenstein Super-strength, damage resistance
Bride of Frankenstein Super-strength, damage resistance
Uncle Sam Super-strength, near-immortality, size-changing

Key 1) [illegible] 2) [illegible] 3) [illegible] 4) [illegible]

The Super Human Advanced Defense Executive (S.H.A.D.E.) is a division of the U.S. government tasked with the suppression of [illegible] and the deployment of metahuman [illegible]. S.H.A.D.E. works [illegible], often violently, and [illegible] almost no government oversight. S.H.A.D.E. is commanded by Father Time, a seemingly immortal being with the ability to appear in different bodies.

Among S.H.A.D.E.'s agents are Frankenstein (see Seven Soldiers of Frankenstein) and the Bride of Frankenstein, while new versions of classic heroes—including the Human Bomb, Doll Man, the Ray, and Phantom Lady—appeared in the ranks following the Infinite Crisis. Many of the new recruits later joined Uncle Sam and his latest assembling of the Freedom Fighters, still working under the auspices of S.H.A.D.E. DW

SABBAC

First appearance CAPTAIN MARVEL JR. #4 (February 1943)
Status Villain **Real name** Timothy Karnes
Occupation Would-be world conqueror **Base** Mobile
Height 6ft 2in **Weight** 240 lbs **Eyes** Blue **Hair** None
Special powers/abilities Saying the word "Sabbac" gives Karnes a range of demonic powers.

Timothy Karnes, [illegible] foe of Captain Marvel Jr., studied black magic to gain power. He succeeded beyond his wildest dreams when he conjured the spirits of six demons of the [illegible]. In a blasphemous parody of Captain Marvel's powers, the devils gave him unique abilities that he could wield by saying the word "Sabbac."

Immediately upon uttering the magic word, Karnes felt the zap of a bolt of black lightning. He now had the powers of his benefactors: Satan's strength, Aym's invulnerability, Belial's wisdom, Beelzebub's flames, Asmodeus's courage, and Craeteis's power of flight. He soon discovered that saying "Sabbac" once again turned him back into Karnes.

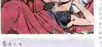
Sabbac battled the Marvel family and wound up behind bars. Recently, a Russian mafia boss named Ishmael Gregor sprung Karnes from prison and seemingly murdered him, taking the powers of Sabbac for himself. This new Sabbac has grown to giant size after absorbing the powers of the Seven Deadly Sins. DW

ST. CLOUD, SILVER

First appearance DETECTIVE COMICS #469 (May 1977)
Status Hero's friend **Real name** Silver St. Cloud
Occupation Convention organizer **Base** Gotham City
Height 5ft 5in **Weight** 131 lbs **Eyes** Blue **Hair** Silver
Special powers/abilities No superpowers, but beautiful, intelligent, and charismatic: a woman who knows her own mind.

Silver St. Cloud is a convention organizer who first met the billionaire playboy Bruce Wayne at a charity event held on Gotham tycoon Rupert Thorne's yacht. When Batman saved her from an assassin's bullet, Silver realized in a flash—as few before her had even suspected—the Dark Knight, Gotham's grim defender, and the apparently feckless Bruce Wayne were one and the same person.

Silver and Bruce embarked on a romance, during which she told him of her suspicions about his dual identity. Rather than suffer in fear, waiting by the telephone as night after night Batman risked life and limb on Gotham City's crime-ridden streets, Silver decided she had better end her affair with Bruce Wayne before their romance became too serious. So she bid the Dark Knight a tearful [illegible]. PJ



SALA

First appearance GREEN LANTERN ANNUAL (2nd series) #9 (September 2000)
Status Hero **Real name** Sala Nisaba
Occupation Archaeologist **Base** Nabaul, Turkey
Height 5ft 7in **Weight** 138 lbs **Eyes** Green **Hair** Brown
Special powers/abilities Empowered by the Ringstaff of Istar, Sala possesses incredible strength, agility, and fighting skills as a modern-day Lady of Battle.

While excavating in the Syrian Desert, archaeologist Sala Nisaba discovered a gateway to the Babylonian underworld known as Kurnugi. Opening the gate, she unwittingly freed the demon Lazarus and other vengeful gods, Kurnugi's ruler Nergal, the Lord of Terror, among them. Sala was descended from Ishtar, Lady of Battle, and by Nergal's magic Sala was transformed into a warrior. Teamed with Kyle Rayner (Green Lantern V), a friend since attending art school together, Sala battled Lazarus, Nergal and his wife Ereshkigal, and [illegible] Diana [illegible] the aid of the [illegible] SB

SALAKK

First appearance GREEN LANTERN (2nd series) #149 (February 1982)
Status Hero **Real name** Salakk
Occupation Green Lantern **Base** Slyggia and Earth
Height 6ft 11in **Weight** 207 lbs **Eyes** White **Hair** None
Special powers/abilities With his power ring, this fearless loner can fight as well as any of his brethren.

Born on the planet Slyggia, Salakk entered the Corps of Green Lantern as sector 1418. He performed his job well but was considered a loner by his fellow Corps members. That did not stop him from agreeing to cover sector 1417 when its Lantern Katma Tui agreed to train John Stewart (Green Lantern IV), who was substituting for sector 2814's Hal Jordan. When the cosmic event called the [illegible] a number of Green Lanterns as well as [illegible] of the sector system, Salakk agreed to join several other Corpsmen based on Earth. There he developed a firm friendship with fellow Lantern Ch'p. Salakk was also brought to the year 5700 to portray [illegible], a role Jordan had previously played [illegible] and agreed to remain even after recovering his memories. Salakk later returned to the present in a failed attempt to [illegible] the destruction of the Central Power Battery on Oa. [illegible] deep depression, Salakk spent time with Ch'p [illegible] joined John Stewart on Oa. Believed killed by [illegible], Salakk returned to Oa to serve the Guardians [illegible] administrator. Among his responsibilities is the [illegible] the Book of Oa, the sacred text containing [illegible] that all members of the Green Lantern Corps must [illegible] exception. RG

SALAMANCA

First appearance FLASH (2nd series) ANNUAL #3 (2000)
Status Hero **Real name** Unknown
Occupation Hero **Base** Buenos Aires, Argentina
Height 5ft 8in **Weight** 42 lbs **Eyes** Brown **Hair** Black
Special powers/abilities Sorcerous control over the elements; can leave her body as an astral form for three hours.

Salamanca is a [illegible] in Argentina [illegible] the Argentinian super-hero group Super Malón. Together with fellow heroes Pampero, Cimarrón, El Lobizón, Vibora, El Bagual, El Yaguarete, and [illegible], she uses her incredible [illegible] over the weather to combat threats to her home country.

Not long ago, Salamanca was [illegible] the sorcerer Gaucho imprisoned her and her former lover Cachiru in an alternate dimension. [illegible] Garrick, the original Flash, could not free them, the current third Flash, Wally West, succeeded [illegible] Gaucho [illegible] and liberating Salamanca and [illegible]

More recently Salamanca and the Super Malón [illegible] involved in a violent confrontation with the third Cheetah (Sebastian Ballesteros) and Wonder Woman in Buenos Aires. During the fight, the two rivals—Barbara Minerva and Sebastian Ballesteros—scuffled over the right to [illegible] the Cheetah's powers, and Salamanca's team provided invaluable backup to Wonder Woman in her efforts to stop the villain and contain the damage. Salamanca is a romantic at heart and hopes that one day she and Cachiru will be able to rekindle their love. DW

SAND

FIRST APPEARANCE ADVENTURE COMICS #69 (December 1941) **STATUS** Hero **REAL NAME** Sanderson Hawkins **OCCUPATION** Former chairman of JSA **BASE** New York City **HEIGHT** 5ft 11in **WEIGHT** 162 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Blond **SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES** Can manipulate silicon based materials, causing earthquakes, can phase through earth, glass or bricks; limited precognition.

SALOON SUPER HERO *His body no longer human, Sand Hawkins is now a silicon-based [illegible]. He can turn [illegible] and control those [illegible] to [illegible]. Sand [illegible] with [illegible] Hourman II*

[illegible] the [illegible] the [illegible] hope. His [illegible] his identity [illegible] the [illegible] STAR SPANGLED [illegible] World War II [illegible] Sandy [illegible] monster. The Sandman [illegible] Sandy in a special [illegible] remained for decades. When [illegible] attempted to explore Sandy's [illegible] the Sandman triggers [illegible] saved from his monstrous [illegible] Sandman and other members of the JUSTICE SOCIETY OF AMERICA [illegible] Earth against the [illegible] the end of the [illegible] Dodds was killed [illegible] DARK LORD, Sandy [illegible] himself "Sand" [illegible] the JSA to avenge Dodds [illegible] the group's [illegible] chairman. Sand has since [illegible] his mentor's identity as the new Sandman, possessing the ability to see the future through [illegible]. PJ

SANDMAN (MORPHEUS)

FIRST APPEARANCE SANDMAN (2nd series) #1 (March 1989) **STATUS** Hero **REAL NAME** Morpheus, Dream, Oneiros, Kai-ckul and [illegible] **OCCUPATION** Guardian **BASE** The Dreaming **HEIGHT/WEIGHT** Variable **EYES** White **HAIR** Black **SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES** An immortal being of vast power able to summon sleep and conjure dreams, from wistful fantasies to fevered [illegible] terrors, any of which were used to cure maladies or punish those who offended the Lord of Dreams.

Morpheus, or Dream, belonged to an eternal race of beings known as the ENDLESS. Since [illegible] began Morpheus has watched over Earth and all mankind. More than 70 years ago, Morpheus was imprisoned by warlock Roderick Burgess, who had instead hoped to snare Dream's sister DEATH. When he finally escaped decades later, Morpheus set about reclaiming his talismans—his sacred helm, his pouch filled with sleeping sand, and his mystic ruby—as well as restoring his realm the Dreaming, which had fallen into disrepair during his absence. While Morpheus was imprisoned, two of his minions, Brute and Glob, enabled the human Dr. Garrett Sandford to operate from the Dreaming as a costumed hero known as the Sandman (no relation to Wesley Dodds, SANDMAN I). Upon Sandford's demise, Brute and Glob replaced him with Hector Hall (see DR. FATE), whose son Daniel was born in the Dreaming. Hector Hall later died and was reincarnated like his parents, HAWKMAN and HAWKGIRL, while baby Daniel and his mother, Lyta, were returned to Earth. The boy's destiny would be inextricably tied to the Dreamland.

Eventually, Morpheus was killed by the Furies, the beings known as the Eumenides or "The Kindly Ones" (see FURY II). However, before his death, Morpheus chose Daniel as his successor. Within the Dreaming, Daniel was aged [illegible] and [illegible] Morpheus's place [illegible]. SB

SANDMAN I

FIRST APPEARANCE ADVENTURE COMICS #40 (July 1939) **STATUS** Hero (deceased) **REAL NAME** Wesley Dodds **OCCUPATION** Socialite crime fighter **BASE** New York City **HEIGHT** 5ft 11in **WEIGHT** 210 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Black **SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES** Arsenal of gas weapons, including gas gun; later wielded "wirepoon" gun for climbing or snaring foes.

[illegible] was the [illegible] York [illegible] and [illegible] his [illegible] AMERICA [illegible] ALL-STAR [illegible] Hawkins [illegible] the [illegible] decades [illegible] suicide [illegible] the DARK LORD [illegible] the [illegible] DR. FATE. SB

SANDMAN I *Sharp [illegible]*

SARGE STEEL

FIRST APPEARANCE SARGE STEEL #1 (December 1964)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Unknown
OCCUPATION Operative D.E.O. **BASE** Washington D.C.
HEIGHT 6ft 1in **WEIGHT** 198 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Black
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Expert martial artist who packs a powerful punch with his solid steel fist.

The iron man with the fist of steel received his trademark appendage during a stint with U.S. Special Forces, when communist agent Ivan Chung arranged for Steel to retrieve a booby-trapped hand grenade that exploded prematurely. Discharged from the military due to the accident, he received a solid steel prosthetic on his left stump and became a private investigator.

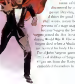
Steel became head of the Central Bureau of Intelligence (CBI), a spy organization whose field agents included ARSENAL and KING FARADAY. Steel also worked with CHECKMATE, a government taskforce designed for high-powered combat response.

Once the CBI was absorbed into the Department of Extranormal Operations, Sarge Steel earned a place in the President's cabinet as Director of Meta-Human Affairs (and briefly became a pawn of MISTER MIND). Steel now heads the U.S. government's Department of Metahuman Affairs. Among his agents are NEMESIS and Diana Prince (or WONDER WOMAN). During the Amazon invasion of Washington D.C., Circe arranged for Sarge Steel's kidnapping and replacement by a shapeshifting impostor. DW

SARGON THE SORCERER

FIRST APPEARANCE ALL-AMERICAN COMICS #26 (May 1941)
STATUS Hero (deceased) **REAL NAME** John Sargent
OCCUPATION Stage magician **BASE** Legion World, U.P. Space
HEIGHT 5ft 11in **WEIGHT** 176 lbs **EYES** Brown **HAIR** Brown
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Possessed the magical Ruby of Life, which gave him mystical control over whatever object he touched.

In 1917 archaeologist Richard Sargent discovered the Ruby of Life, a jewel purportedly carved from the Ring of Life, a powerful artifact once used by the SPECTRE. Unaware [illegible] Sargent gave the Ruby to his wife [illegible] infant son John saw [illegible] touched. On an expedition with his father years later John learned the true nature of the Ruby and discovered he could control its power. Deciding to use his abilities for good, but hiding their mystic nature behind the persona of a stage magician, John became Sargon the Sorcerer. Sargon joined the ALL-STAR SQUADRON during World War II. The original Sargon died when a Shadow Creature incinerated his body. His successor David John Sargent gained the mystical abilities of Sargon when fragments from the Ruby of Life embedded themselves in his chest. PJ



SATANUS

FIRST APPEARANCE SUPERMAN (2nd series) #38 (December 1989)
STATUS Villain **REAL NAME** Satanus (alias Colin Thornton) **OCCUPATION** Demon lord
BASE The Netherworld **HEIGHT/WEIGHT/EYES/HAIR** Variable **SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES** Alters size and appearance; can teleport himself and other beings; can project blasts of hellfire.

In the infernal netherworld there ruled Satanus, a demon in conflict with his demoness sister Blaze for control of an extra-dimensional purgatory where human souls suffer endless torments. Deposed by Blaze, Satanus made his way to Earth and assumed the guise of mortal Colin Thornton, publisher of the Metropolis-based Newstime magazine. Satanus began a campaign to corrupt the much-coveted soul of the SUPERMAN. However, Satanus has been thwarted at every turn, either defeated by the Man of Steel or vexed by Blaze, who desires Superman's indomitable spirit for herself. With the aid of the lesser demon Madge, Satanus vainly attempted to take over the post-Y2K Metropolis, which was still reeling from the machine ills wrought by BRAINIAC 13. Satanus later abducted Cary Richards, a crippled boy whose psychic powers created the superpowered Adversary to plague Superman. The Man of Steel freed Cary from Satanus's thrall, but the demon lord remains determined to drag the hero down to his hell of hells. SB

DEMON SPAWN [illegible] the [illegible] lord of the [illegible] and [illegible] as Satanus.

SATURN GIRL

FIRST APPEARANCE ADVENTURE COMICS #247 (April 1958); LEGION OF SUPER-HEROES (4th series) #0 (October 1994)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Imra Ardeen
OCCUPATION Legionnaire **BASE** Legion World, U.P. Space
HEIGHT 5ft 7in **WEIGHT** 120 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Blonde
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Among the universe's top telepaths, Imra has experienced enough minds to have a unique perspective on things, making her a good leader.

[illegible] have [illegible] for good. Titanians do not possess [illegible] their natural [illegible] to communicate [illegible] as well as off-worlders. [illegible] the most skilled Titanian [illegible] of reading minds as well as [illegible] limited control over the actions [illegible]. Along with Garth Ranzz (Lightning Lad) and Rokk Krinn (Cosmic Boy), Imra is one of the founders of the Legion of Super-Heroes, where she goes by the name Saturn Girl. Her inability to speak has given her a somewhat introverted demeanor, which is offset by the trust of Cosmic Boy and the on-again, off-again love Lightning Lad. Saturn Girl continued to be a core member of the team, with her mind-reading abilities helping her discern that Mon-El was trapped in the Phantom Zone, allowing BRAINIAC 5 to free the hero after a thousand years of imprisonment. DW

MENTAL STRENGTH [illegible] Saturn Girl's [illegible] be terrifying.

SATURN QUEEN

FIRST APPEARANCE SUPERMAN #147 (August 1961)
STATUS Villain **REAL NAME** Eve Aries
OCCUPATION Professional criminal **BASE** Mobile
HEIGHT 5ft 8in **WEIGHT** 140 lbs **EYES** Brown **HAIR** Red
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Telepathy and hypnotic control of others.

Saturn Queen, like Saturn Girl, is a 31st century native of Titan, a moon of Saturn. Like everyone on her homeworld, she is telepathic and possesses limited abilities to control the minds of others. Saturn Queen founded the Legion of Super-Villains with Lightning Lord and Cosmic King, with their evil triumvirate forming a mirror image of Saturn Girl, Lightning Lad, and Cosmic Boy of the Legion of Super-Heroes.

In an alternate timeline, Saturn Queen and her two companions traveled back in time to kidnap Bruce Wayne and Clark Kent as young children, then raised them to adulthood in line with the power-mad ambitions of their new "parents." On this Earth, Superman and Batman ruled the planet as dictators, but Saturn Queen's plot came to an end thanks to a resistance movement orchestrated by Wonder Woman. Saturn Queen next appeared in the bottle city of Kandor, leading a revolution with Earth-3's Ultraman until stopped by Supergirl. DW

SAVAGE, MATT: TRAIL BOSS

FIRST APPEARANCE WESTERN COMICS #77 (October 1959)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Matt Savage
OCCUPATION Cattle driver and trail boss
BASE The Texas Trail, 1860s–1870s
HEIGHT 5ft 10in **WEIGHT** 165 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Red-brown
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Expert tracker, horseman, and sharpshooter.

A special breed of men helped tame the post-Civil War American West. Unlike the wandering gunslingers such as Bat Lash, Trail Boss Matt Savage did an honest day's work by running a cattle drive, transporting cattle from Texas to Kansas.

Savage worked as a Union army scout and a miner before joining up with a cattle drive as a flank man. When he decided to become a trail boss and start up the Dogiron Crew, he brought aboard Union veteran Clay Dixon and Confederate veteran Jim Grant. To overshadow the Civil War of those two, Savage recruited Father Juan Manuel Ortega, and the mysterious Red "Biscuits" Baker became the team's cook once Savage cleared him of a horse-thievery charge. Jebediah Kent, ancestor of Jonathan "Pa" Kent (*see* KENTS), briefly ran with Savage's team.

The Dogiron Crew drove their cattle between Texas and Kansas, encountering adventure along the way. Matt Savage is believed to be a relative of Brian Savage, the SCALPHUNTER. DW

SAVANT

FIRST APPEARANCE BIRDS OF PREY #56 (August 2003)
STATUS Villain **REAL NAME** Brian K. Durlin
OCCUPATION Extortionist, information broker **BASE** Gotham City
HEIGHT 6ft 3in **WEIGHT** 217 lbs **EYES** Blue-grey **HAIR** Blond
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Computer genius and extraordinary martial artist; Savant's brain imbalance makes him a particularly dangerous and unpredictable foe.

Wealthy Brian Durlin rarely finishes anything he starts, owing to a chemical imbalance in his brain that affects his memory. Although highly intelligent, Durlin's inability to properly distinguish the passage of time resulted in poor grades and he dropped out of school and university. Durlin's father disinherited him, leaving the young man penniless and living in Greece, where he began using blackmail to support his expensive tastes.

Durlin decided to turn his talents to heroics as the masked Savant, but was barred from Gotham City by Batman after Savant prioritized pursuing arsonists over saving the occupants of a burning building. Savant returned to blackmail, using his computer savvy to extort money from the wealthy. With his loyal assistant Creote, a former KGB agent, Savant abducted the BLACK CANARY and held her hostage, hoping to coerce Barbara Gordon (ORACLE) to divulge Batman's civilian identity. With the Huntress's help, the Canary was freed and Savant was jailed. Oracle later opted to employ him as her assistant in the business of information brokering. SB

SAVITAR

FIRST APPEARANCE THE FLASH (2nd series) #108 (December 1995)
STATUS Villain (missing) **REAL NAME** Unrevealed
OCCUPATION Criminal **BASE** Tibet
HEIGHT 6ft 4in **WEIGHT** 220 lbs **EYES** Light blue **HAIR** Black
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES By tapping into the Speed Force, Savitar can move his body at near light speed; can absorb motion from other objects and people, thereby slowing their movement.

The man who would be Savitar was once an Eastern bloc military pilot. While flying an experimental supersonic plane he was infused with Speed Force energy that gave him incredible superspeed, making him the fastest man alive. The pilot believed his superspeed was a divine gift and named himself Savitar after the Hindu god of motion. Curious about the true nature of this so-called Speed Force, Savitar began a cruel campaign of extortion against various other speedsters. During a battle with MAX MERCURY, Savitar was thrust forward in time to the present. After a massive battle between Savitar and Earth's heroic speedsters, Wally West, FLASH III, pushed the villain into the Speed Force. Savitar was absorbed into the energy field, where he remains trapped to this day. PJ

SCALPHUNTER

FIRST APPEARANCE WEIRD WESTERN TALES #39 (March 1977)
STATUS Hero (reincarnated) **REAL NAME** Brian Savage
OCCUPATION Police detective **BASE** Opal City **HEIGHT** 6ft 1in **WEIGHT** 190 lbs **EYES** Blue (Matt O'Dare: blue)
HAIR (Matt O'Dare: red) **SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES** Expert horseman, unerring aim with bow and arrow, tomahawk, rifle, or handgun.

TAMING THE TOWN *In [illegible] Brian Savage [illegible] his [illegible] gun-toting ways as Scalphunter to police Opal City as sheriff.*

Brian Savage was abducted from his parents by Kiowa Indians during the 1840s and renamed Ke-Woh-No-Tay, which roughly translates as "He Who Is Less Than Human." Raised in the Kiowa tradition, Savage was later known as Scalphunter to the white men he encountered on his many adventures across the Wild West. After learning the truth about his roots, Scalphunter became a gunfighter, eventually settling down in Opal City during its frontier days. As Opal's sheriff, Savage maintained law and order for more than a decade.

He eventually married and retired to a farm in Turk County. His son Steve Savage became famous many years later as the World War I aerial ace known as BALLOON BUSTER. Brian Savage died in 18[illegible], shot in the back after returning to Opal City during turbulent times. Perhaps owing in some measure to his Kiowa background, Savage was reincarnated as Opal City police detective Matt O'Dare, friend and ally of STARMAN. Matt has assumed the [illegible] of the late, great Scalphunter. SB

MATT O'DARE *[illegible] of [illegible] mended ways after discovering that he was the reincarnation of the western hero Scalphunter.*

SCARECROW

FIRST APPEARANCE WORLD'S FINEST COMICS #3 (Fall 1941)
STATUS Villain **OCCUPATION** Professor and professional criminal
REAL NAME Jonathan Crane **BASE** Gotham City
HEIGHT 6ft **WEIGHT** 150 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Brown
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES A psychologist and biochemist, Crane used his knowledge to create a fear-inducing gas that creates nightmarish hallucinations in the mind of anyone who inhales it; costume also designed to strike terror; a manic hand-to-hand combatant.

GAWKY AND UNCOORDINATED [illegible] child Jonathan Crane was [illegible] the physical and emotional [illegible] neighborhood bullies. Initially frightened [illegible] their horrible taunts, Crane eventually decided he would turn the tables on his attackers and began voraciously studying [illegible] phobias and the nature of fear.

A[illegible] child, Crane became [illegible] psychologist specializing in [illegible] knowledge of chemistry [illegible] [illegible] PB

HUSH [illegible]

TERROR [illegible]

THE FEAR MASTER

HARMLESS HAIR? [illegible]

TORMENTING TERROR [illegible]

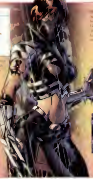
KEY STORYLINES

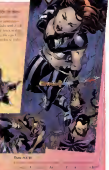
- **WORLD'S FINEST COMICS (FALL 1941):** The Scarecrow makes his debut, ensuring sleepless nights for citizens of Gotham City.
- **BATMAN #626–630 (JUNE–SEPTEMBER 2004):** In "As the Crow Flies," Scarecrow is infected with a mutation that transforms him into a monstrous Scarebeast during times of stress.
- **DETECTIVE COMICS #820 (AUGUST 2006):** During the "Face the Face" storyline, Scarecrow faces off against both Batman and Robin, confronting each with their greatest insecurities.

SCANDAL

FIRST APPEARANCE VILLAINS UNITED #1 (March 2005)
STATUS Villain **REAL NAME** Scandal Savage
OCCUPATION Professional adventurer **BASE** Mobile
HEIGHT 5ft 9in **WEIGHT** 160 lbs **EYES** Brown **HAIR** Brown
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Enhanced damage resistance; expert combatant with bladed weapons

[illegible] During her [illegible] that the new [illegible] Society [illegible] up with [illegible] Death of [illegible] Suicide Squad [illegible] herself [illegible] world [illegible] DW





[illegible] her lamentation blades [illegible]

TEAM PLAYER [illegible]

SCARAB

FIRST APPEARANCE SCARAB #1 (November 1993)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Louis Sendak
OCCUPATION Adventurer **BASE** New York City
HEIGHT 5ft 10in **WEIGHT** 170 lbs **EYES** Brown **HAIR** Brown
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES The Scarabaeus allowed him to command mystic energies, either as raw power or in subtle manifestations

Louis Sendak [illegible] trapped [illegible] RG

SCAVENGER

FIRST APPEARANCE SUPERBOY (2nd series) #4 (March 1994)
STATUS Villain **REAL NAME** Unknown **OCCUPATION** Plunderer
BASE Mobile **HEIGHT** 5ft 10in **WEIGHT** 160 lbs
EYES One white, one cybernetic **HAIR** White
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Long lived; possesses several cybernetic implants; wields weapons pillaged from various heroes and villains

[illegible] the Scavenger [illegible] power [illegible] The Scavenger also believes that all heroes [illegible] be trusted.

The Scavenger [illegible] battled [illegible] several [illegible] SB

SCORCH

FIRST APPEARANCE JLA #61 (February 2002)
STATUS Villain (reformed and deceased) **REAL NAME** Aubrey (several name unknown)
OCCUPATION Unrevealed **BASE** Paloes VA
HEIGHT 5ft 9in **WEIGHT** 140 lbs **EYES** Red **HAIR** Black
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Does not sleep and seems to have complete mastery over fire, from generating it to controlling its intensity

[illegible] Aubrey known as Scorch [illegible] from a creation of reality which the Joker briefly [illegible] Mr. Mxyzptlk's fifth dimensional [illegible] She battled both Superman and the Martian Manhunter as she tried to make a name for herself in the world of crime. Although [illegible] the Manhunter asked Scorch to help him overcome his psychological fear of fire in exchange for helping her calm her tortured mind. During the resulting sessions they became [illegible] although Superman [illegible] suspicious [illegible] himself to save not only his beloved but the entire JLA. RG

SEA DEVILS

FIRST APPEARANCE SHOWCASE #27 (August 1960)
STATUS Hero team **BASE** Earth's oceans and waterways
MEMBERS AND POWERS
Dane Dorrance (leader): Expert diver and natural leader
Biff: Powerful combatant
Judy Walton: Charismatic and athletic
Nicky Walton: Quick-witted and eager

[illegible] DW

THE SEA DEVILS
1) Judy Walton
2) Dane Dorrance
3) Nicky Walton
4) Biff Bailey

SECRET

FIRST APPEARANCE YOUNG JUSTICE: THE SECRET #1 (June 1998)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Greta Hayes
OCCUPATION Wander **BASE** Mobile
HEIGHT 4ft 8in **WEIGHT** Unknown **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Light brown
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Secret is a wraithlike form which allows her to pass through solid objects and create psychic manifestations.

[illegible] RG

SECRET SIX

FIRST APPEARANCE ACTION COMICS WEEKLY #601 (May 1988) **STATUS** Hero team **BASE** Top secret
CURRENT MEMBERS AND POWERS
Cat-Man: Skilled combatant
Deadshot: Expert marksman
Harley Quinn: Acrobatic fighter with unerring mind
Knockout (deceased): Super strength and damage resistance
Rag Doll II: Impossibly flexible body
Scandal: Wields deadly wrist blades

[illegible]

1) [illegible] **2)** Ragdoll II **3)** Scandal
4) Deadshot **5)** Cat-Man **6)** [illegible]

[illegible] Infinite Crisis when [illegible] Harley Quinn and the Mad Hatter. SB

LEGACY The Secret Six [illegible]

SECRET SOCIETY OF SUPER-VILLAINS

FIRST APPEARANCE SECRET SOC. OF SUPER VILLAINS #1 (June 1976)
NOTABLE MEMBERS (SEE INDIVIDUAL ENTRIES FOR POWERS)
Darkseid, Captain Boomerang, Captain Cold, Copperhead, Gorilla Grodd, Manhunter IV, Trickster I, Mirror Master I, Sinestro Poison Ivy, Floronic Man, Blockbuster I and II, Reverse-Flash, Chronos I, Chronos, Killer Frost I, Rag Doll, Ultra-Humanite, Cheshire, Deadshot, Per Degaton, Scarecrow, Felix Faust, Wizard, Riddler, Scarecrow, Deadshot, Hector Hammond, Sivana, Solomon Grundy, Royal Flush Gang, Mist I, Star Sapphire II, Psycho-Pirate (manipulates emotions), **Shadow Thief** (becomes a living shadow), **Funky Flashman** (master conman), **Matter Master** (transmutes elements), **Mercenik** (energy blasts), **Brainwave I** (psychic powers), **Silver Ghost** (intangibility), **Signalman** (gimmick weapons), **Quakemaster** (creates earthquakes), **Captain Stingaree** (swordsman)

[illegible]

[illegible] Villains together. PJ

SERAPH

FIRST APPEARANCE DC COMICS PRESENTS #46 (June 1982)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Chaim Levon
OCCUPATION Teacher, activist **BASE** Jerusalem, Israel
HEIGHT 5ft 10in **WEIGHT** 165 lbs **EYES** Brown **HAIR** Black
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Superstrength; Ring of Solomon enables teleportation; Staff of Moses can transform into a snake, generate forcebolts, and null gravity; wears the symbolic Mantle of Elijah.

Chaim Lavon was born in Netanya, a city on the west coast of Israel. The youngest of four siblings, Chaim was horrified by the continued animosity between the Jewish and the Arab world and became a pacifist and a teacher working at an Arab school to teach culture and language to Jews and Muslims alike. On a pilgrimage to a small synagogue outside Bethlehem, Chaim stopped on a dirt road and cried out in frustration to God for an end to the suffering in the Middle East. Chaim was answered by a brilliant light and a voice that declared that Chaim would lead the Middle East out of its destructive cycle of conflict. Chaim was given several mystic objects and became the hero Seraph.

Seraph was invited to join Doctor Mist's Global Guardians, becoming one of its most visible members, although he resided in Israel. When the first Queen Bee hypnotized a number of the Guardians into working for her, Seraph, unaware of the Queen's cunning, distanced himself from the team. After the Queen was defeated and the Guardians were attacked by the villain [illegible], Seraph returned, tending to injured teammate Tuatara. PJ

SERIFAN

FIRST APPEARANCE FOREVER PEOPLE (1st series) #1 (March 1971)
STATUS Hero (deceased) **REAL NAME** None
OCCUPATION Adventurer **BASE** New Genesis
HEIGHT 5ft 7.5in **WEIGHT** 143 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Blond
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Cosmic Cartridges create "shock repelli-field," gravity effects, vehicle-fueling power, intense heat, or stun blasts.

A [illegible] of the Forever People, Serifan [illegible] New Genesis [illegible] of the New Gods [illegible]. [illegible] use of their Mother Box [illegible] adventure Serifan and the Forever People thwarted Darkseid's agent Devilance but were trapped on the distant world [illegible]. Adon [illegible] used the team Mother Box to evolve Adon's [illegible] Vykin died but the [illegible] became civilized and the Forever People built their [illegible] hometown, their first [illegible]. Unfortunately Serifan's sensitivity to telepathy allowed an evil entity, the Dark, to possess him. The Dark turned back time on Adon, reversing the Forever People's gifts but inadvertently resurrecting Vykin. The Infinity Man ultimately drove the Dark away but good Serifan and his friends were among the casualties during the recent Death of the New Gods event. SB

SEVEN SOLDIERS OF VICTORY

FIRST APPEARANCE LEADING COMICS #1 (Winter 1941–1942)
STATUS Hero team **BASE** Mobile
MEMBERS AND POWERS
Bulleteer Invulnerable metal skin and enhanced strength
Frankenstein Enhanced strength; undead body provides extreme resistance to injury
Klarion the Witch Boy Spellcasting and monstrous transformations
Manhattan Guardian Top physical condition, skilled fighter
Mister Miracle II One of the world's greatest escape artists
Shining Knight II Skilled fighter and excellent swordswoman
Zatanna Vast magical powers triggered by saying spells backward

In [illegible] villains [illegible] of the [illegible] Hand [illegible] joined together [illegible] heroes, more commonly [illegible] the Seven Soldiers of Victory. Founding members included [illegible] Arrow, the Spider [illegible], the Shining Knight, [illegible] and Billy Gunn (later succeeded by Stuff) and the Star-Spangled Kid and Stripesy. The Avengers' aide Wing was the unofficial eighth member. In 1948 the Seven Soldiers of Victory were betrayed by one of their own, the Spider, and engaged in battle with the entity known as the Nebula Man. Wing sacrificed his life to destroy the creature in Tibet, but the resulting explosion's temporal energies cast the rest of the group across the ti[illegible]

[illegible] the Dark Man [illegible] organized a short-lived [illegible] the SSV, including Adam Strange, [illegible] Adam, Blue Devil, Blackhawk, [illegible] Metamorpho and the Shining Knight [illegible] attack by [illegible] Soon after the [illegible] Soldiers were rescued by the [illegible] Avenger and Justice League [illegible] He sacrificed his life to save [illegible]

A [illegible] Seven Soldiers appeared [illegible] from the [illegible] heroic team [illegible] that could [illegible] the Spyder (or Alias the [illegible]) [illegible] Merry [illegible] Dee [illegible] replica of [illegible] (Dan the Dyna-Mite) [illegible] of the White Nun being only [illegible] they fell prey [illegible] in the American southwest.

[illegible] a new Seven Soldiers against the [illegible] these soldiers though [illegible] would never actually meet. This [illegible] Mister Miracle II (Shilo Norman), the [illegible] Zatanna, Klarion the Witch Boy, [illegible] the Manhattan Guardian (see GUARDIAN) [illegible] The Sheeda Queen, having returned [illegible] flagship the Castle Revolving, [illegible] Frankenstein (now an elite operative of S.H.A.D.E., a department of the U.S. government) [illegible] Manhattan Guardian rallied citizens to fight the invaders [illegible] and shot the Sheeda Queen [illegible] her flagship, leading to the roadway, [illegible] struck her.

[illegible] a powerful Sheeda artifact from [illegible] took a hold of Frankenstein with a Crea[illegible] new powers to become king of the [illegible] Mister Miracle II [illegible] Darkseid became the only [illegible] the Seven Soldiers, though death may be only [illegible] challenge for this master of escape. RG

SOLDIERS OF THE GOLDEN AGE 1) Vigilante 2) Green Arrow 3) Shining Knight 4) Star-Spangled Kid 5) Speedy 6) [illegible] Avenger 7) Stripesy

SPELLCASTER [illegible]

SOLDIERS OF THE GOLDEN AGE (Left to right) Klarion the Witch Boy, Shining Knight II, Zatanna, Frankenstein, Manhattan Guardian, Bulleteer, Mister Miracle II

KEY STORYLINES

- **JUSTICE LEAGUE OF AMERICA (1st series) #100–102 (August–October 1972).** The Justice League rescue the time-lost of the Seven Soldiers.
- **STARS AND S.T.R.I.P.E. #9 (April 2000).** The original Seven Soldiers [illegible] grown ago in this tale of how Alias the Spider betrayed his teammates and caused their defeat by Nebula Man.
- **SEVEN SOLDIERS #1 (December 2006).** The Seven Soldiers are reborn for a new age to battle the Sheeda, horror-like people from the [illegible] history.

SERGEANT ROCK

THE COMBAT-HAPPY JOE

FIRST APPEARANCE OUR ARMY AT WAR #81 (April 1959)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Frank Rock
OCCUPATION Former leader of Easy Company **BASE** Mobile
HEIGHT 6ft **WEIGHT** 183 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** White (formerly red)
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Expert combatant, marksman, and battlefield leader; is skilled with almost every known firearm and can operate most varieties of tanks and other heavy equipment.

THE ALL-STAR SOLDIERS [illegible] America's attention [illegible] costumes and their [illegible] Frank Rock [illegible] His father died in World War I [illegible] father [illegible] Pittsburgh [illegible]

IN PRINT [illegible]

QUIET HERO [illegible]

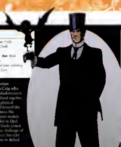
THE GOOD SOLDIER

[illegible] DW

OLD SOLDIER [illegible]

DEFENSIVE [illegible]

KEY STORYLINES
- *OUR ARMY AT WAR #81* (APRIL 1959): Sgt. Rock (here called "Rocky") makes his debut. The series would be renamed for him in issue #302.
- *SGT. ROCK: BETWEEN HELL AND A HARD PLACE* (2004): This moody, recent graphic novel was illustrated by the legendary Joe Kubert.
- *SUPERMAN #166* (MARCH 2001): President Lex Luthor reintroduces Frank Rock into the DC universe's modern era.



SHADE, THE

FIRST APPEARANCE FLASH COMICS #33 (September 1942)
STATUS Supernatural villain **REAL NAME** Richard Swift
OCCUPATION Criminal (retired) **BASE** Opal City
HEIGHT 6ft 2in **WEIGHT** 170 lbs **EYES** Gray **HAIR** Black
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Immortality; can summon "shadowmatter"—matter of all kinds, shapes, and sizes, including living beings—from a dimension called the Dark Zone.

Soon after acquiring the ability to manipulate shadowmatter, Richard Swift met Simon Culp, who possessed similar powers. When the two shadowcasters were caught in an explosion, their souls fused together, although Swift's essence controlled their physical body. Swift, now an immortal who called himself the Shade, traveled the world, amassing a fortune. No longer believing that the moral laws of mere mortals no longer applied to him, the Shade settled in Opal City. During and after World War II, the Shade joined the INJUSTICE SOCIETY, exhilarated by the challenge of battling heroes like FLASH I and the JUSTICE SOCIETY OF AMERICA. He eventually gave up crime to defend his adopted home, Opal City, and befriended STARMAN Jack Knight. Centuries from the future, a cursed Shade transformed into the mysterious Dark Colossus and battled the LEGION OF SUPER-HEROES. PJ

ROGUE AND HERO *The Shade shares a joke with his former foe, the first Starman.*

SHADOWY POWERS *Motivated by the tedium of his life more than by malice or greed, the Shade remained a criminal for years, plunging Keystone City in darkness to loot its banks or using his Dark Zone creatures to rumble with the Fastest Man Alive.*

SHADE, THE CHANGING MAN

FIRST APPEARANCE SHADE THE CHANGING MAN (1st series) #1 (July 1977) **STATUS** Hero **REAL NAME** Rac Shade
OCCUPATION Adventurer **BASE** Mobile **HEIGHT** 5ft 6in
WEIGHT 108 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Red **SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES**
Formidable combatant; M-vest emits energy that distorts people's perceptions of its wearer according to their emotional state; also projects force-field, and enables flight or travel between dimensions.

On the other-dimensional world of Meta, security service agent Rac Shade was framed for causing an explosion that crippled the parents of his true love, Mellu Lon. Little did Shade realize that Mellu's mother was Sude the Supreme Decider, head of a conspiracy to take over Meta's dimension, the Meta-Zone, and the neighboring dimension containing Earth. Donning the M-vest created by the genius Dr. Majistri, Shade embarked on a struggle to clear his name. At one point, Shade became trapped in the *Zero-Zone* between Earth and Meta, his M-vest damaged and unable to transport him to either world. He was saved by the Suicide Squad and joined the Squad in exchange for passage to Meta. Presumably not much had changed for Shade on Meta. When last seen, he was back on Earth, perhaps for good. SB

SHADO

FIRST APPEARANCE GREEN ARROW
THE LONGBOW HUNTERS #1 (1987)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Shado
OCCUPATION Kyudo Master **BASE** Japan
HEIGHT 5ft **WEIGHT** 109 lbs **EYES** Brown **HAIR** Black
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Shado is one of the world's greatest archers using Japanese bamboo arrows 97.5 centimeters long, and a bow weighing 30 kilograms. She is also well trained in the martial arts.

Tomonaga worked for the Yakuza, the Japanese criminal organization, and was sent with two million dollars in gold bullion to the U.S. to help set up American operations. Before he could use the money he was placed in an internment camp after the Japanese attack on Pearl Harbor. Soldiers tried to learn the money's whereabouts but failed. Once released, Tomonaga married and had a daughter, but was tracked by soldiers who wanted the bullion for themselves. When they tortured his wife he had little choice but to comply. Returning to Japan, he committed *seppuku* for failing in his mission, and the Yakuza raised the girl, named Shado, as one of their own. She was trained to be their agent, and was given a tattoo on her left arm, shoulder, breast and shoulder blade that formed the image of a large red dragon. Her first assignment was to kill the men who brought about her father's downfall. One of the men was killed instead by Oliver Queen (GREEN ARROW) because he had also tortured Queen's lover, BLACK CANARY II. Later, Shado was asked to commit acts she felt were too heinous and refused, which pitted her against the Yakuza, who now wanted her dead. She has crossed paths with Green Arrow on numerous occasions, which resulted in her giving birth to their son, Robert. Shado has chosen a life of seclusion to raise the boy and avoids contact with both the Yakuza and Oliver Queen. RG

SHADY LADY *Shado's motives can be enigmatic, but when she does aim, she never misses—like Green Arrow, killing does not trouble her.*

SHADOWDRAGON

First appearance SUPERMAN #97 (February 1995)
Status Undecided **Real name** Prince Savin Bandu
Occupation Prince of Bhutan; adventurer **Base** Metropolis
Height 5ft 9in **Weight** 147 lbs
Eyes Brown **Hair** Black
Special powers/abilities Skilled martial artist and computer hacker; wears weapon-studded armored suit that also confers invisibility

Shadowdragon fights [illegible] the [illegible] of Bhutan. He uses his ninja-like stealth and lightning-fast combat skills to steal technology that will benefit his developing nation. He wears an advanced NTU Battlesuit, stolen from the [illegible] of Chi Lanti, that allows him to turn invisible or to his potent [illegible] Shadowdragon has turned most of his life to be[illegible] the mental [illegible] of the [illegible] computer hacker. Despite his origins, the Shadowdragon is an honorable man who only acts in the best interests of his people. Upon first arriving in Metropolis, he intercepted reams of computer data on Superman for use by the villain Conduit; however, when Shadowdragon learned of Conduit's malevolent motives toward the Man of Steel, he erased the data. He continues to operate in both Metropolis and Bhutan and to do everything in his power to ensure a prosperous future for the country he will one day rule as king. DW

SHAGGY MAN

First appearance JUSTICE LEAGUE OF AMERICA #45 (June 1966) **Status** Robotic villain (destroyed)
Real name/occupation Inapplicable **Base** Mobile
Height 5ft 5in **Weight** 437 lbs
Eyes Red **Hair** Brown
Special powers/abilities Superhuman strength; near-invulnerability; body part regeneration

The Shaggy Man was a [illegible] creature created by [illegible] Andrew Zagarian with plastalloy, a synthetic substance resembling human tissue. The robot came to life and went on a rampage that even the Justice League of America could not stop. The JLA persuaded Zagarian to create a second Shaggy Man and trapped the two robots [illegible] hoping that each would destroy each other. [illegible] Hammond (see Hammond) [illegible] teleported [illegible] of the Shaggy Man to the JLA [illegible] attempt to destroy the heroes. Green Lantern [illegible] to capture that Shaggy Man and Aq[illegible] imprisoned [illegible] in a deep trench in the Pacific Ocean.

Later, General Wade Eiling transferred his consciousness into the Shaggy Man body, sharing all the first one's fur and becoming the indestructible General. A third Shaggy Man has recently appeared as part of Lex Luthor's (see Luthor, Lex) Injustice League Unlimited. PJ

SHAZAM

First appearance WHIZ COMICS #2 (February 1940)
Status Hero (deceased) **Real name** Unknown; formerly the Champion
Occupation Wizard **Base** Rock of Eternity
Height 6ft **Weight** 175 lbs **Eyes** Blue **Hair** White
Special powers/abilities Vast magical abilities

Shazam the wizard was one of Earth's first heroes, making his [illegible] in ancient Canaan many thousands of years ago. After millennia of [illegible] he became a wizened [illegible] figure operating out of the extradimensional Rock of Eternity, eager to pass on his powers to a [illegible] Shazam gifted his abilities on [illegible] in Egypt, resulting in the origin of Black Adam. A different champion emerged in the [illegible] archeologist C. C. Batson. When Black Adam murdered [illegible] Batson before any magical transfer could take place, Shazam bestowed his blessing on Batson's son, Billy. With the powers of Shazam—the wisdom of Solomon, the strength of Hercules, the stamina of Atlas, the power of Zeus, the courage of Achilles, and the speed of Mercury—Billy became super-hero Captain Marvel. During the Infinite Crisis, a maddened Spectre killed thousands in an anti-magic purge. Shazam confronted the Spectre at the Rock of Eternity and lost his life. The Shadowpact helped rebuild the Rock, and Billy Batson took Shazam's place. DW

SHADOWPACT, THE

First appearance DAY OF VENGEANCE #1 (June 2005)
Status Hero team **Base** Oblivion Bar
Current members and powers
Nightmaster Expert combatant with magical sword
Blue Devil Enhanced strength and durability; wields Trident of Lucifer
Nightshade Teleportation; ability to form darkness into 3D shapes
Ragman Absorbs sinners into his cloak and draws on their powers
Detective Chimp Brilliant mind; can talk to animals
Enchantress Vast magical abilities
Zauriel Flight; enhanced strength; telepathy; sonic scream

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Key 1) N[illegible]
2) Nightmaster 3) R[illegible]
4) Blue Devil 5) Enchantress
6) Detective Chimp

SHARK

First appearance GREEN LANTERN (2nd series) #24 (October 1963)
Status Villain **Real name** Has used aliases T.S. Smith and Karshon
Occupation Predator **Base** Mobile
Height 6ft 2in **Weight** 243 lbs **Eyes** Black **Hair** None
Special powers/abilities A powerful psionic able to manipulate matter, project energy bolts, and communicate telepathically; also able to fly and grow to a gigantic size

Radiation leaking from a [illegible] transformed a tiger shark into a mutated humanoid creature imbued with increased intelligence and psionic powers. The Shark was still driven by his species' primal predatory urges but now fed on the psyches of his victims rather than their flesh. The Shark attacked Hal Jordan (Green Lantern II), hoping to make the fearless [illegible] experience terror before he consumed him. [illegible] Jordan defeated the Shark and devolved him to his original state. The Shark regained his humanoid form on several occasions, battling both Green Lantern and Aquaman, briefly deposing the latter from his throne by disguising himself as a Atlantean named Karshon and used his mental might to rule Atlantis. Later the Shark was recruited by Green Lantern III Guy Gardner to join a squad of super-villains opposing the Qwardians during [illegible] (see Great Battles pp.362–3).

During the Infinite Crisis, the Shark participated in a supervillain attack on Atlantis, where he was apparently responsible for the death of Neptune Perkins (see Perkins, Neptune). He appears to have [illegible] the Spectre's destruction of Atlantis. SB

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In the year following the Infinite Crisis, the world persevered without its greatest heroes: Superman, Batman, and Wonder Woman. While the legends avoided the spotlight, lesser figures claimed the stage and ushered in a new era with the rebirth of the multiverse.

Elongated Man

[illegible] Ralph Dibny [illegible] News that [illegible] Dibny sought [illegible]

Resurrection cult [illegible]

The Everyman Project

[illegible] Luthor (see Lex) announced in a [illegible] public that [illegible] were no longer had to be the [illegible]. The genetic manipulations of [illegible] Everyman Project provided hundreds of ordinary [illegible] with enhanced abilities, including Natasha Irons (see Natasha), niece of the hero Steel. Natasha and several others became the first inductees into [illegible] Infinity Inc. team. On New Year's Eve the [illegible] benevolence became apparent when he [illegible] all of his subjects' powers, causing dozens [illegible] to plunge from the sky. Luthor also gave himself superpowers, prompting a showdown with Steel and Natasha Irons that resulted in Luthor's capture and disgrace.

Space Exiles

Animal Man, Adam Strange, [illegible]

Sage advice [illegible]

The Question

Vic Sage, the faceless investigator known as the Question, teamed with ex-Gotham City police detective Renee Montoya (see Montoya, Renee) to investigate [illegible] through a Gotham City [illegible] led to Black Adam's country [illegible] the two prevented a suicide bombing at the wedding of Black Adam and Isis. They later journeyed to Nanda Parbat in the Himalayas, hoping that the region's mystics could halt the Question's terminal lung cancer. Back in Gotham, the Question and Montoya teamed with Batwoman to stop Intergang's Bruno Mannheim (see Mannheim, Bruno) and his Crime Bible cult. In the end, Vic Sage died, passing the Question's identity on to Montoya.

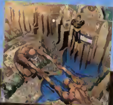
Bomber down *She hated taking a life, but* [illegible] *Montoya* [illegible] *Black Adam*

Nanda Parbat The holy [illegible] refuge [illegible]

Oolong Island

[illegible]

Welcoming party [illegible]



Khandaq's ruler *As a superpowered dictator, Black Adam held absolute power in his home country.*

Black Adam and World War III

As the leader of isolationist Khandaq, Black Adam had grown beyond his role as a foil to Captain Marvel. Black Adam found a calming influence in his life in Adrianna Tomaz. She became his wife after receiving the powers of Isis. Her younger brother Amon joined them as the superpowered Osiris, and the addition of the talking crocodile Sobek rounded out what appeared to be a happy family unit.

Yet treachery arose when Sobek revealed himself as Famine, one of the Four Horsemen of Apokolips ordered to bring down the Black Marvel Family. Sobek devoured Osiris, and Isis died at the hands of Pestilence, before Black Adam unleashed his revenge. Black Adam blasted the Horsemen's launching point of Bialya, killing everyone within the country's borders. He then stormed across the globe in a bloodbath of destruction called World War III, until stripped of his powers by Captain Marvel.

Adam's fall *World War III ended with Black Adam powerless. It took a worldwide quest for him to regain his abilities.*

Evil Sisters [illegible]

Booster Gold and Mister Mind

[illegible]

Fight for fame [illegible]

SHELLSHOCK II

FIRST APPEARANCE STEEL #6 (July 1994)
STATUS Villain **REAL NAME** Ruth Spencer
OCCUPATION Assassin **BASE** New Jersey
HEIGHT 5ft 4in **WEIGHT** 120 lbs **EYES** Brown **HAIR** Black
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Has the ability to cause objects to explode with a single punch, but she must name the item or her power fails.

[illegible] first villain to go by the name Shellshock was a woman with the ability to generate explosive force from her body. She battled the second HAWK & DOVE team before being defeated by SUPERMAN and has seemingly retired from a life of crime. The current [illegible], Shellshock is a member of Black Ops, an organization of techno-pirates run by Manuel Cabral known as Hazard II. Nothing is known about how Ruth Spencer gained her energy-punch powers or came in contact with Hazard. She is fiercely loyal to Black Ops's charismatic leader, acting as his lieutenant. It is unclear if she harbors romantic feelings for Hazard II or is simply an idealistic zealot. Under Hazard's command the Black Ops attempted to take over the entire nuclear arsenal of the U.S. only to be opposed and ultimately stopped by John Henry Irons, Steel II. After their final defeat, Hazard turned his attention to other nefarious schemes for acquiring the latest high-tech weaponry and selling it to the highest bidder. The members of his ruthless team, including second-in-command Shellshock, await his orders. RG

SHIFT

FIRST APPEARANCE OUTSIDERS (3rd series) #1 (August 2003)
STATUS Hero (inactive) **REAL NAME** Not applicable
OCCUPATION Professional adventurer **BASE** Mobile
HEIGHT 6ft 1in **WEIGHT** 200 lbs **EYES** Black **HAIR** None
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Unstable molecules permit transmutation of himself and other objects into chemical compounds.

When METAMORPHO [illegible] the Earth [illegible] the Hyperclan [illegible] the JLA [illegible] and grew [illegible] Morgan. The [illegible] he was in the [illegible] formed NIGHTWING [illegible] Metamorpho [illegible] Metamorpho confronted [illegible] duplicate [illegible] both him because the copy had already [illegible] human life. Taking Shift's identity [illegible] the Outsiders and fell in [illegible] with Indigo, an android from the future. The romance ended when Indigo revealed herself as BRAINIAC 8 and tried to destroy the Outsiders and the TEEN TITANS. Indigo regained control of her programming and [illegible] Shift to kill her, which he did by transforming her [illegible] organic material. A heartbroken Shift stayed with [illegible] but a botched mission after the Infinite Crisis led to 44 deaths. Believing himself responsible, Shift let himself be re-absorbed into Metamorpho. DW

SHIMMER

FIRST APPEARANCE THE NEW TEEN TITANS (1st series) #3
STATUS Villain **REAL NAME** Selinda Flinders
OCCUPATION Professional criminal **BASE** Mobile
HEIGHT 5ft 7in **WEIGHT** 125 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Red
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Could temporarily transform one element or compound into another.

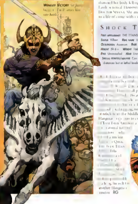
Selinda Flinders and her brother Baran [illegible] Australia [illegible] at their superhuman abilities when their father brought them to Doctor Helga Jace, a renowned Markovian [illegible] to help them master their powers and develop a sense of right and wrong. Selinda and Baran, however, rejected their education and became professional criminals, eventually joining DOCTOR LIGHT's infamous organization the FEARSOME FIVE.

Shimmer, as Selinda came to be called, and her brother, now named MAMMOTH, fought the New Teen Titans several times over the years and were [illegible] more than once. [illegible] siblings renounced crime and found peace [illegible] monastery. However, their former teammate [illegible] seeking revenge for their betrayal of the Fearsome Five. Psimon turned Shimmer into glass and shattered her body, killing her instantly. Mammoth only barely survived. However, Shimmer was resurrected by DOCTOR SIVANA. She and her brother Mammoth returned to a life of crime with a new Fearsome Five. PJ

SHINING KNIGHT

FIRST APPEARANCE ADVENTURE COMICS #66 (September 1941) (II) SEVEN SOLDIERS: SHINING KNIGHT #1 (August 2005)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Sir Justin, a.k.a. Justin Arthur (II) Ystina
OCCUPATION Knight (II) Adventurer **BASE** Camelot; New York City (II) New York City
HEIGHT 6ft 1in, (II) 5ft 2in **WEIGHT** 185 lbs (II) 115 lbs **EYES** Blue (II) Green **HAIR** Blond (II) Black
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Master of knightly combat; wears enchanted bulletproof armor and wields enchanted sword; rides a flying horse (II) Expert duelist and hand-to-hand combatant.

When [illegible] Sir Justin [illegible] of Arthur's Round Table [illegible] while driving [illegible] off, Sir Justin grazed a tree with [illegible] and released the wizard Merlin from mystical imprisonment. A grateful Merlin enchanted Sir [illegible] sword and armor and gave [illegible] steel wings. Merlin's gift [illegible] Sir Justin to slay Blunderbluss [illegible] the dying ogre [illegible] and his horse Winged Victory [illegible] Winged Victory lay in [illegible] 1941 the knight was thawed by Dr. M[illegible] Sir Justin to establish [illegible] New York City. As the Shining Knight, Sir Justin joined the [illegible] Star-Spangled Kid in the Seven Soldiers of Victory [illegible] the [illegible] Ystina [illegible] Camelot [illegible] New York [illegible] against the Sheeda [illegible] remained in the [illegible] SB



WINGED VICTORY Sir Justin's [illegible] carries him into battle.

SHOCK TRAUMA

FIRST APPEARANCE THE TITANS #21 (November 2000)
STATUS Villain **REAL NAME** Unrevealed
OCCUPATION Assassin **BASE** Japan
HEIGHT 5ft 6in **WEIGHT** 166 lbs
EYES Unrevealed **HAIR** Unrevealed
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Can generate and emit electricity over short distances but at lethal levels.

[illegible] raised in Japan [illegible] HANGMEN [illegible] assassins [illegible] subtlety [illegible] Brazil [illegible] Provoke, Stranglehold [illegible] mark in Europe before taking [illegible] America. His first visit to the U.S. was [illegible] kidnapping, not killing, at the behest of rebels from the Middle Eastern country of Qurac. The Hangmen [illegible] to collect Lian Harper, the daughter of Teen Titan ARSENAL [illegible] Qurac [illegible] Teen Titans [illegible] another Hangmen mission. RG

SHRECK

FIRST APPEARANCE SUICIDE SQUAD (1st series) #37 (January 1990)
STATUS Villain **REAL NAME** Unknown
OCCUPATION Vampire **BASE** Mobile
HEIGHT 6ft 3in **WEIGHT** 188 lbs **EYES** Black **HAIR** Black
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Super-strength; partial invulnerability; ability to hypnotize

[illegible] DW

SHRINKING VIOLET

FIRST APPEARANCE LEGION OF SUPER HEROES (4th series) #68 (March 1995) **STATUS** Hero **REAL NAME** Salu "Violet" Digby
OCCUPATION Legionnaire **BASE** 30th-century Earth
HEIGHT 5ft 2in **WEIGHT** 105 lbs **EYES** Violet **HAIR** Black
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Can shrink to subatomic size or grow 30 feet tall, with a proportionate increase in mass and strength

[illegible] PJ

SILVER BANSHEE

FIRST APPEARANCE ACTION COMICS #595 (December 1987)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Siobhan McDougal/Lucy MacElwain
OCCUPATION Adventurer **BASE** The Netherverse
HEIGHT 6ft 11in **WEIGHT** 180 lbs **EYES** White **HAIR** Silver
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Impervious to gunfire; possesses superhuman speed and the strength of ten men; her siren wail is a deadly song, killing anyone within earshot

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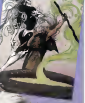


STRANGE BREW [illegible]

SUPER-FOE [illegible]

DEATH SONG [illegible]

SILVER MONKEY

FIRST APPEARANCE DETECTIVE COMICS #685 (March 1995)
STATUS Villain **REAL NAME** Unrevealed
OCCUPATION Assassin **BASE** Asia
HEIGHT 5ft 6in **WEIGHT** 130 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Brown
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES One of the deadliest martial artists on the planet; a merciless killer.

When General Tiam Lilu Shar Lin attempted to [illegible] the heroin market in Asia, [illegible] was opposed by King Snake. The resulting gang [illegible] played out on the streets of Gotham City. [illegible] following the Earth [illegible] the Taiwanese [illegible] the [illegible] hired Silver Monkey to kill King Snake. The battle was bloody and caught the attention of Gotham's [illegible] Batman. He intervened, along with Nightwing and Robin III. In the climactic battle Robin saved King Snake from Silver Monkey, and the Monkey tumbled into Gotham Harbor. All that was found was his mask, leading Batman to suspect that the Silver Monkey remains alive. RG

SIN-EATER

FIRST APPEARANCE JSA #23 (June 2001)
STATUS Villain (destroyed) **REAL NAME** Onimar Synn
OCCUPATION Consumer of souls **BASE** The planet Thanagar
HEIGHT 7ft 5in **WEIGHT** 480 lbs **EYES** Yellow **HAIR** None
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Absorbed power from the suffering and fear of others; could absorb the souls of innocent people and transform them into zombie warriors.

[illegible]

[illegible] Hawkman and Hawkgirl [illegible] PJ

SILVER SWAN I & II

FIRST APPEARANCE (I) WONDER WOMAN (2nd ser.) #15 (April 1988); (II) WONDER WOMAN (2nd ser.) #171 (August 2001) **STATUS** Villains
REAL NAME (I) Valerie Beaudry; (II) Vanessa "Nessie" Kapatelis (II)
OCCUPATION (I) Reformed villain; (II) enforcer **BASE** (I) Mobile; (II) Boston **HEIGHT** (I) 5ft 7in; (II) 5ft 6in **WEIGHT** (I) 136 lbs; (II) 130 lbs **EYES** (I) blue; (II) blue **HAIR** (I) Blonde; (II) brown
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Flight; sonic "swan song" that can flatten buildings or generate a sonic shield. II can mentally control birds.

[illegible]

[illegible] defeated her former friend and brought [illegible]

FRAGILE PSYCHE Vanessa [illegible] in flight and beautiful [illegible] appearance [illegible] the Silver Swan suffers [illegible] self-loathing.

SINESTRO

FIRST APPEARANCE GREEN LANTERN (2nd series) #7 (August 1961)
STATUS Villain **REAL NAME** Sinestro
OCCUPATION Intergalactic criminal **BASE** The anti-matter universe of Qward
HEIGHT 6ft 7in **WEIGHT** 205 lbs **EYES** Black **HAIR** Black
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Master tactician and military commander; his yellow power ring could create anything his fertile, fiendish imagination could conceive.

WRONG TURN *Until Sinestro's spirit was corrupted by evil he was one of Hal Jordan's closest friends.*

Sinestro became the greatest enemy of Green Lantern and the Green Lantern Corps. He was, for a time, a Corps member himself—the Green Lantern of space sector 1417. Born on the planet Korugar, Sinestro was a fearless warrior. Given a power ring by the Guardians of the Universe, Sinestro became an adept Green Lantern. He returned to Korugar and, corrupted by power, proclaimed himself ruler. Sinestro was forced to leave his homeworld to train Green Lantern Hal Jordan on Earth and they became good friends. Sinestro then returned to Korugar, where the people were rioting against his rule. Disgusted by Sinestro's abuse of power, the Guardians stripped him of his power ring and banished him to the anti-matter universe of Qward.

Trapped in the anti-matter universe, Sinestro impressed the lawless leadership of Qward with his warrior's skills and told them of the Green Lanterns and their rings. The Qwardians created their own power ring, imbued with yellow energy, the only weakness of the Green Lanterns' rings. Using the ring, Sinestro returned to the positive-matter universe and became a constant foe of the Green Lanterns, notably his old pupil, Hal Jordan. After years of intergalactic sparring, Sinestro was imprisoned on Oa, the Guardians' homeworld. But Sinestro escaped and, enraged by his humiliation, destroyed an entire solar system. The massive genocide brought to bear the combined power of the entire Green Lantern Corps, who condemned Sinestro to death. Sinestro's spirit remained in the Central Power Battery, where he allied with PARALLAX and tricked Hal Jordan into 'murdering' a duplicate Sinestro. Later freed, Sinestro gathered an army on Qward in the anti-matter universe. Using Parallax's power over fear to fuel their yellow rings, the Sinestro Corps made war against the Green Lantern Corps, aided by the MANHUNTERS and Sinestro's lieutenants Superman-Prime, the Anti-Monitor (see MONITORS) and the CYBORG SUPERMAN. **PJ**

FRIENDS AND FOES *It was in final battle with Hal Jordan that the sinister Sinestro met his grisly fate.*

SKORPIO

FIRST APPEARANCE STEEL (2nd series) #37 (April 1997)
STATUS Villain **REAL NAME** Dennis Samuel Ellis
OCCUPATION Medical intern, mercenary **BASE** Jersey City, NY
HEIGHT 5ft 9in **WEIGHT** 162 lbs **EYES** Brown **HAIR** Black
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Costume contains hidden weaponry, such as toxin-coated blades; an above-average athlete.

Sam Ellis was a resident at Garden State Medical Center when the head of the hospital, gang boss Dr. Arthur Villain, recruited him for a special mission. Anticipating STEEL's arrival, Villain created the super-powered persona of Skorpio. Ellis was only too happy to adopt this character. He took the costume and Villain's money in the hope that he would get some kicks and earn some extra money to pay back his student loans. Skorpio became Villain's mob enforcer until he found himself in direct competition with Steel for the affections of Dr. Amanda Quick, a doctor at Garden State Medical Center. **RG**

SLEEZ

FIRST APPEARANCE ACTION COMICS #592 (September 1987)
STATUS Villain (deceased) **REAL NAME** None
OCCUPATION Corruptor **BASE** Formerly Apokolips, later Metropolis
HEIGHT 4ft 3in **WEIGHT** 181 lbs **EYES** Black **HAIR** Black (sparse)
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Psionic powers enabled Sleez to dominate others' minds and force them to surrender to their baser desires.

Spawned in the sewers of Armagetto on distant Apokolips, the dwarfish Sleez was notorious for his vileness. DARKSEID made Sleez his aide but even Darkseid tired of Sleez's depravity. He was transported to Earth, where he captured SUPERMAN and BIG BARDA—formerly one of Darkseid's FEMALE FURIES—and mentally manipulated them into fighting for his own twisted amusement. Fortunately Barda's husband MISTER MIRACLE intervened. Later Sleez mentally enslaved the directors of Project Cadmus and forced them to make clones of themselves, then by giving birth to a second NEWSBOY LEGION. Following a renewed conflict with Superman involving the Project Newsboys, Sleez was apparently killed when the torture device he used to enthrall the Cadmus creations backfired. Sleez perished a second time during the Death of the New Gods event, slain in Metropolis. **SB**

SIRIUS

FIRST APPEARANCE ORION #10 (March 2001)
STATUS Wolf-demon (deceased) **REAL NAME** None
OCCUPATION Guardian of the Dreggs **BASE** Apokolips
HEIGHT 20ft **WEIGHT** 3,618 lbs **EYES** Green **HAIR** Golden
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES A demon of gargantuan size and unbridled ferocity but with a definite sense of good and evil.

Beneath the slums of Armagetto on Apokolips lie the labyrinthine Black Ways of the Dreggs, which were guarded by Sirius, a wolf-demon imprisoned there for millennia. ORION, Dog of War, tracked his enemy DESAAD into the Dreggs and found Sirius instead. A Desaadite—an [illegible] form—attacked and Sirius [illegible] the Dog of War. Sirius took up Orion in his [illegible] and hurled him into a Boom Tube leading [illegible] surface of Apokolips, thus saving his life. The wolf [illegible] in battle with the Desaadite, and Orion has [illegible] forgotten the noble demon beast. **SB**

SKEETS

FIRST APPEARANCE BOOSTER GOLD #1 (February 1986)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Skeets
OCCUPATION Security robot **BASE** Mobile
HEIGHT 12in **WEIGHT** 5 lbs **EYES** None **HAIR** None
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Flight, built-in weapons systems, computer databanks of historical events.

Skeets, a 25th-century robot, traveled back in time with BOOSTER GOLD to help him seek fame in the modern era. Although they secured a place for Booster in the JUSTICE LEAGUE OF AMERICA, by the Infinite Crisis they had not made their mark. With Skeets' databanks useless due to temporal anomalies, Booster sacrificed himself to save Metropolis (secretly returning as Supernova). Skeets was infected by MISTER MIND and killed [illegible] and WAVERIDER for control of the multiverse. Mister Mind escaped Skeets' shell and tried to erase reality. Rip Hunter and Booster defeated Mister Mind, reviving Skeets. Booster, Skeets and Hunter then repaired the timestream. **DW**

SOBEK

FIRST APPEARANCE 52 #26 (November 2006)
STATUS Villain **REAL NAME** Yurrd the Unknown
OCCUPATION Embodiment of Famine **BASE** Mobile
HEIGHT Various **WEIGHT** Various **EYES** Various **HAIR** Various
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Can cause famine; enhanced strength and durability; can pass spirit from one body to another.

Sobek is one of the forms taken by Famine, who, with Death, War, and Pestilence, make up the Four Horsemen of Apokolips. After the Infinite Crisis, Yurrd took the form of the intelligent talking crocodile Sobek (supposedly a creation of the mad scientist Doctor Sivana). Sobek befriended Osiris of the Black Marvel Family, playing a jovial fool to disguise his true nature. Osiris began to confide in Sobek. During a period of [illegible] following his murder of the Persuader, Osiris dropped his superpowers at his friend's request. Sobek pounced on his defenseless prey and devoured Osiris alive. Black Adam took swift revenge and slaughtered Sobek, but the specter of Yurrd the Unknown could not be destroyed. It returned to the wastelands of Bialya with its fellow spirits to feed on the misery of the various refugees. Batman and Superman then ended the influence of the Four Horsemen. DW

SOLARIS I & II

FIRST APPEARANCE KOBRA #2 (May 1976)
STATUS Villain (deceased) **REAL NAME** Clifton Lacey
OCCUPATION Assassin **BASE** Houston
HEIGHT 5ft 7in **WEIGHT** 140 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Black
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Had access to high-tech equipment and scientific knowledge and skills, but was a poor fighter.

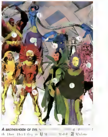
A rogue NASA engineer calling himself Solaris created the Stealth Heliotron, with which he hoped to gain world domination. He was killed in battle with Kobra and Jason Burr.

Solaris is also the name of a tyrant sun (right) which sought to conquer two eras—the 20th and the 853rd centuries. By ensnaring a techno-virus, Solaris literally created itself. The Justice League of America and the [illegible] A [illegible] RG

SOCIETY OF SIN

FIRST APPEARANCES (Brotherhood of Evil) DOOM PATROL (1st series) #86 (March 1964); (Society of Sin) NEW TITANS ANNUAL #6 (1990) **STATUS** Villain team **BASE** Mobile
MEMBERS AND POWERS
Brain Vast cyborg intellect.
Monsieur Mallah Super-evolved intelligent gorilla.
Madame Rouge (deceased) Elastic powers.
General Immortus Immortality.
Garguax Alien control of an army of android "plastic men."
General Zahl (deceased) Nazi U-boat commander.
Houngan Voodoo techno fetishes can inflict pain or death.
Phobia Can project illusions of a subject's greatest fear.
Plasmus Protoplasmic touch can burn through most substances.
Warp Teleportation.
Trinity (destroyed) Energy blasts, illusions, and time control.

The Society of Sin was formed years ago by the Brain and his ape companion, Monsieur Mallah. Along with Madame Rouge, General Immortus, and Garguax, the "Brotherhood of Evil" targeted the Doom Patrol. But the mentally unstable Madame Rouge murdered her former partners in the Brotherhood and, together with General Zahl, seemingly destroyed the Doom Patrol. Years later, the Brain and Mallah, who survived Rouge's attack, returned with a new Brotherhood. This new team, which included Phobia, Houngan, Warp, and Plasmus, battled with the Teen Titans. The Brain and Mallah left the Brotherhood and recruited Trinity, renaming the [illegible] the Society of Sin. PJ



A BROTHERHOOD OF EVIL [illegible] the Doom Patrol, the lineup is: **1)** Monsieur Mallah **2)** Madame Rouge **3)** Garguax **4)** General Immortus **5)** Brain **6)** Plasmus **7)** [illegible] **8)** Phobia **9)** Houngan **10)** Warp

SOLOMON GRUNDY

FIRST APPEARANCE ALL AMERICAN COMICS #61 (November 1944)
STATUS Villain **REAL NAME** None
HEIGHT 7ft 5in **WEIGHT** 517 lbs **EYES** White **HAIR** White
OCCUPATION Criminal **BASE** Mobile
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Superstrength and invulnerability; is able to lift many tons and is capable of shrugging off blows from Superman; his undead nature means that it is nearly impossible for anyone to kill him.

Solomon Grundy is part-zombie, part-swamp monster. In 1894 a rich man named Cyrus Gold was killed by robbers. His corpse sank into the murky waters of Slaughter Swamp outside Gotham City. Over fifty years later, a zombie behemoth arose from Slaughter Swamp. (Grundy got his name from an old nursery rhyme: "Solomon Grundy, born on Monday".)

Grundy was employed as a criminal muscleman, running up against the original Green Lantern Alan Scott and the Justice Society of America throughout the 1940s. Grundy became Scott's personal nemesis since Scott's power ring could not affect the wood in Grundy's body. Grundy joined the Injustice Society, serving with them when they crashed the press conference at which the Justice League of America announced its formation. A gentler incarnation of Grundy became a friend to Scott's daughter Jade during her time with Infinity, Inc. Solomon Grundy has returned with a more evil intelligence, acting as the mastermind behind a scheme to build a new [illegible] using parts from Amazo and the Red Tornado with the help of Professor Ivo. DW

HOUSE A [illegible] Grundy [illegible] America [illegible]

SON OF VULCAN

FIRST APPEARANCE MYSTERIES OF UNEXPLORED WORLDS #46 (May 1965) **STATUS** Hero (deceased) **REAL NAME** John Mann
OCCUPATION Reporter **BASE** Mobile **HEIGHT** 6ft 1in **WEIGHT** 218 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Brown **SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES** Invoking the name "Vulcan" transformed his body: super strong, invulnerable to fire, able to conjure any weapon from Vulcan's forge.

John Mann was a war correspondent working in the Mediterranean when he lost his leg covering the conflict in the region. While resting at the Temple of Jupiter, Mann demanded to know how the gods could allow such carnage. He was struck by lightning and transported to the Mount Olympus of the Roman gods. Vulcan, god of the forge, took a liking to Mann. Despite opposition from Mars, the war god, Vulcan restored Mann's leg and gave him powers and weapons to fight the forces of evil on Earth. As the Son of Vulcan, John returned to the Mediterranean island of Cyprus and ended a civil war there. He was killed by the evil sorceress Circe during the War of the Gods, a conflict she had orchestrated that pitted the deities of various pantheons against each other. When the war ended, Vulcan escorted Mann's soul to the eternal happiness of the Elysian Fields. **PJ**

SONAR

FIRST APPEARANCE GREEN LANTERN (3rd series) #66 (Sept. 1995)
STATUS Villain **REAL NAME** Unknown
OCCUPATION Professional criminal **BASE** Mobile
HEIGHT 6ft 1in **WEIGHT** 215 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Red
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Subcutaneous micro-circuitry gives him the ability to absorb and amplify sound waves to destructive levels.

Though [illegible] criminal [illegible] calling himself Sonar came into possession of the sonic weapons belonging to Bito Wladon, the Modoran monarch who battled GREEN LANTERN Hal Jordan as the villain [illegible]. [illegible] Sonar [illegible] [illegible] Sonar battled [illegible] GREEN LANTERN Kyle Rayner [illegible] personal kingdom. Looking increasingly bizarre as he amps up his implants, Sonar is frequently incarcerated at the Slab, a meta-human prison with facilities to neutralize his sonic powers. Sonar recently joined the Injustice League Unlimited. He found himself among the villains captured during Operation: Salvation Run. **SB**

SORROW, JOHNNY

FIRST APPEARANCE SECRET ORIGINS OF SUPER-VILLAINS 80-PAGE GIANT #1 (December 1999)
STATUS Villain **REAL NAME** Jonathan "Johnny" Sorrow
OCCUPATION Criminal leader **BASE** Mobile
HEIGHT 6ft 1in **WEIGHT** 192 lbs **EYES** Unknown **HAIR** None
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES His naked face horrifies and kills any who look directly at it; teleportation, intangibility.

A [illegible] during World War II, Johnny Sorrow [illegible] Damage to the [illegible] caused Sorrow to be transported to another dimension called the Subtle Realms. The creatures who lived there hoped to use Johnny to conquer our world and they made his visage so terrifying that anyone who looked upon it died from fright. Sorrow was returned to Earth to prepare the passage of the King of Tears, a god of the Subtle Realms. But the Justice Society of America and the Spectre stopped the King of Tears and imprisoned him.

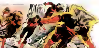
Decades later Sorrow returned and assembled a new INJUSTICE SOCIETY to free the King of Tears. But the Injustice Society was defeated by the JSA, and Sorrow was [illegible] back to the Subtle Realms by the [illegible]. Johnny returned [illegible], teaming with the [illegible] Despero against the [illegible] fought of the JLA and the JSA, but was again [illegible]. **PJ**

DEADLY VISAGE No one can look upon the face of Johnny Sorrow [illegible] Realms [illegible].

SOYUZ

FIRST APPEARANCE FIRESTORM, THE NUCLEAR MAN #70 (April 1988)
STATUS Hero team **BASE** Russia
CURRENT MEMBERS AND POWERS
Firebird (Serafina Arkadin, leader) Telepath with telekinetic ability.
Perun (Ilya Trepliev) Can mentally control electricity.
Rusalka (Mashenka Medvienko) Controls water or water vapor.
Igor (Mascha Medevienko) Can create arctic cold.
Vikhor (Feodor Sonn) Expert skater who can whip up a whirlwind.

Soyuz [illegible] is a team of adolescent Russians with superhuman powers who operate [illegible] in their homeland. Their codenames are taken from Russian mythology. The team first operated together to [illegible] their future member Perun. They adopted their [illegible] costumes and codenames after they rescued the two children of Mikhail Arkadin, who is a part of the Firestorm persona for a time. The team [illegible] as Russian [illegible] set about regaining [illegible]. They were last seen helping Young Justice [illegible] Zandia. Presumably the team [illegible]. **RG**



THE HEROES OF SOYUZ 1) Firebird **2)** Rusalka **3)** Igor **4)** Vikhor **5)** Perun

SPACE CABBY

FIRST APPEARANCE MYSTERY IN SPACE #21 (September 1954)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Unknown
OCCUPATION Interstellar Multi-Species Transportation Expert
BASE Corner of Earth and Luna
HEIGHT 5ft 10in **WEIGHT** 157 lbs **EYES** Brown **HAIR** Brown
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Skilled pilot and navigator.

[illegible] the 22nd century, the [illegible] Space Cabby began [illegible]. Orphaned as a child, Space Cabby grew up [illegible] military [illegible] VII [illegible] a talent for [illegible]. He later served as a fighter pilot during the [illegible] Wars [illegible]. After [illegible] century [illegible] Space [illegible] the whole of space [illegible]. He is a member [illegible] Order of [illegible] and the [illegible] Wars. He has even crossed paths with a few 20th century heroes, including Lobo and STARMAN. **DW**

SPACE RANGER

FIRST APPEARANCE SHOWCASE #15 (August 1958)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Rick Starr **OCCUPATION** Businessman
BASE New York City; an asteroid in the 22nd century
HEIGHT 6ft 2in **WEIGHT** 194 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Black
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Weapons include thermoblast gun (melts objects), explosive ray, dissolver-ator, anti-gravity gun, numbing gun

Rick Starr is the son of multimillionaire Thaddeus Starr, owner of Allied Solar [illegible] in the New York of the 22nd century. Rick Starr became the Space Ranger to patrol Earth's solar system and protect it from criminals and alien invaders. Using his wealth, Rick created a base on an asteroid between Mars and Jupiter. He was often accompanied [illegible] his starship the Solar King [illegible] Myra Mason. The Space Ranger nearly died when he was stranded on Pluto without a life support system. There a shape-changing [illegible] named Cryll saved his life and the two became lifelong friends and allies.

The Space Ranger's greatest battle [illegible] against the [illegible] when they [illegible] Earth. With the help of [illegible] Space Ranger thwarted the Gordanians and saved the planet. PJ

SPARX

FIRST APPEARANCE ADVENTURES OF SUPERMAN ANNUAL #5 (1993)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Donna Caroll D.C. Force
OCCUPATION Adventurer **BASE** New York City **HEIGHT** 5ft 5in
WEIGHT 130 lbs **EYES** Blue, white (as Sparx) **HAIR** Brown, white (as Sparx) **SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES** Can move faster than light, emit lightning blasts from her body, and fly; an unskilled combatant

When alien [illegible] with their [illegible] Force saw the [illegible] members [illegible] D.C. [illegible] in Metropolis [illegible] sucked [illegible] the displays [illegible] power [illegible] thunderbolt. Working [illegible] Seraphim [illegible] now known [illegible] Sparx helped the [illegible] the veteran heroes [illegible] battle.

[illegible] RG

SPEED SAUNDERS

FIRST APPEARANCE DETECTIVE COMICS #1 (March 1937)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Cyril Saunders
OCCUPATION Retired adventurer **BASE** Mobile
HEIGHT 5ft 11in **WEIGHT** 160 lbs **EYES** Hazel **HAIR** Gray
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES World-class explorer and adventurer, expert tracker, climber, and survivalist

[illegible] Speed Saunders [illegible] Strange Sports of the World [illegible] World [illegible] legacy known [illegible] the FBI Speed Saunders [illegible] Wesley Dodds, the first Sandman [illegible] Dodds [illegible] in Miraclo the Dark Lord [illegible] the guardian of Shiera Saunders [illegible] the death of her parents Speed [illegible] an Egyptian [illegible] Hawkman. An elderly daredevil [illegible] Speed [illegible] world seeking adventure. PJ

SPARK

FIRST APPEARANCE LEGION OF SUPER-HEROES (4th series) #0 (October 1994) **STATUS** Hero **REAL NAME** Ayla Ranzz
OCCUPATION Legionnaire **BASE** Legion World, U.P. Space
HEIGHT 5ft 5in **WEIGHT** 120 lbs **EYES** Light blue **HAIR** Red
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Able to generate, project, and absorb highly energized blasts of lightning

[illegible] Her brother Mekt [illegible] Winn and [illegible] Ranzz [illegible] the planet Winath [illegible] planet Korbal. When Korbal's lightning beasts attacked the Ranzz [illegible] the siblings gained [illegible] identifying powers [illegible] co-founded the Legion [illegible] Super-Heroes. Ayla soon [illegible] Legion [illegible] Spark [illegible] official representative [illegible] In another timeline [illegible] the Legion of Super-Heroes, Ayla Ranzz is known as Light Lass and possesses the ability to alter the gravity of objects. This ability [illegible] her [illegible] lightning [illegible] SB

SPAWN OF FRANKENSTEIN

FIRST APPEARANCE PHANTOM STRANGER (2nd series) #23 (Jan. 1973)
STATUS Villain **REAL NAME** None
OCCUPATION Wanderer **BASE** Mobile
HEIGHT 7ft **WEIGHT** 300 lbs **EYES** Green **HAIR** Brown
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Superstrength; difficult to kill due to undead nature

The Spawn of Frankenstein [illegible] by Dr. Victor Frankenstein [illegible] creature, often mistakenly [illegible] Frankenstein. Composed of stitched-together corpses, the Spawn of Frankenstein [illegible] Frankenstein hunted it [illegible] where it seemingly perished.

The Spawn of Frankenstein eventually took the name [illegible] going by Frank [illegible] After encounters with [illegible] YOUNG ALL-STARS and [illegible] DOCTOR THIRTEEN [illegible] with the U.S. [illegible] S.H.A.D.E. [illegible] Frankenstein [illegible] of the SEVEN SOLDIERS [illegible] Victory [illegible] by the [illegible] DW

SPEEDY

FIRST APPEARANCE GREEN ARROW (2nd series) #2 (May 2001)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Mia Dearden
OCCUPATION Professional adventurer **BASE** Star City
HEIGHT 5ft 6in **WEIGHT** 105 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Blonde
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Expert archer, skilled hand-to-hand combatant and swordswoman

The original Speedy was [illegible] Roy Harper, and he [illegible] Arrow's sidekick before [illegible] to the adult identities of Arsenal and later Red Arrow.

The role of Speedy [illegible] until Green Arrow rescued teenage girl Mia Dearden from prostitution. Mia became the ward of Green Arrow's alter ego, Oliver Queen [illegible]

Mia Dearden [illegible] enough [illegible] Speedy [illegible] with Green Arrow [illegible] Arsenal [illegible] Speedy [illegible] with a [illegible]

Speedy joined the Teen Titans and helped BLACK CANARY [illegible] the AMAZONS [illegible] Themyscira. Due [illegible] past, Mia [illegible] is HIV positive [illegible] extra steps to ensure her continuing [illegible] DW

SPELLBINDER

FIRST APPEARANCE DETECTIVE COMICS #358 (December 1966)
STATUS Villain (deceased) **REAL NAME** Delbert Billings
OCCUPATION Adventurer **BASE** Gotham City
HEIGHT 5ft 11in **WEIGHT** 155 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Brown
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Utilized optical devices to hypnotize victims; extremely skilled at hand-to-hand fighting.

[illegible] Delbert Billings [illegible] to hypnotize [illegible]. As the Spellbinder, Billings committed a rash of robberies but was eventually stopped by the Dynamic Duo Batman and Robin. A second Spellbinder—mystically powered and unrelated to Delbert Billings—was briefly active during Billings' incarceration and battled the Justice League as a member of the government-sanctioned "Ghostbusters." Billings attempted a criminal comeback upon his release from prison, but made the mistake of [illegible] he turned down the demon [illegible] offer for enhanced power in exchange for his soul. SB

SPELLBOUND The Caped Crusader [illegible] Spellbinder's [illegible] illusions [illegible]

SPELLBINDER III

FIRST APPEARANCE DETECTIVE COMICS #691 (November 1995)
STATUS Villain **REAL NAME** Fay Moffit
OCCUPATION Professional criminal **BASE** Gotham City
HEIGHT 5ft 6in **WEIGHT** 137 lbs **EYES** Blue
HAIR Pink (dyed)
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Generates lifelike illusions, throwing victims off-kilter and making them experience whatever she desires.

Although [illegible] to [illegible] Fay Moffit, [illegible] possessed what D[illegible] Moffit's ability [illegible] she became the child [illegible] Her amazing power to [illegible] reality is directly tied to [illegible] Caves [illegible] carbon-copies of the Clown of Crime. [illegible] the jailbreak [illegible] followed, Spellbinder almost killed Nightwing with an illusion of the inter-dimensional imp Bat-Mite. Spellbinder was later restored to normal, and any lingering effects of her "Jokerizing" [illegible] to be seen. SB

SPINNER, DOROTHY

FIRST APPEARANCE DOOM PATROL (2nd series) #14 (November 1988)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Dorothy Spinner
OCCUPATION Adventurer **BASE** Kansas
HEIGHT 5ft 3in **WEIGHT** 118 lbs **EYES** Brown **HAIR** Brown
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Born with the mutant ability to bring her imaginary friends to life for short periods. One such imaginary friend even taught her to read.

Born with [illegible] she encountered the Doom Patrol. While working with the team she brought [illegible] candlemaker to life, who [illegible] later wound up [illegible] the Chief. She was one of the young adults lured by [illegible] the other-dimensional Dream Country, [illegible] hoped that the powerful children could [illegible] maintain and expand its power. She [illegible] When Robotman II and Coagula attempted [illegible] Dorothy Spinner with her mother, the [illegible] both out of existence. Dorothy [illegible] a new Robotman, [illegible] more in control, much [illegible] pure and certainly stronger. A group of heroes including Beast Boy and Fever eventually restored the real Robotman to life and discovered that the [illegible] they knew was actually a construct of Dorothy Spinner. She is now receiving psychiatric treatment for her condition. RG

SPLIT

FIRST APPEARANCE STEEL #6 (July 1994)
STATUS Villain **REAL NAME** Unknown
OCCUPATION Member of Team Hazard's Black Ops **BASE** Mobile
HEIGHT 5ft 10in **WEIGHT** 145 lbs **EYES** White
HAIR Red with blond streaks
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Able to teleport herself and others.

The criminal genius Hazard II [illegible] Split [illegible] his most valuable asset, telling the young meta-human, "I have yet to discover another teleporter with your range and power." Split's teleportational skills appear to be almost unlimited, a fact that is even more impressive considering that Split is barely out of his teens and may yet experience a deepening of his talents.

The biggest problem facing Split is his big mouth and his [illegible] qualities that Hazard [illegible] Split first crossed paths with the super hero Steel III when Split teleported Hazard away from a crime scene. Later, Steel forced Split to teleport him to one of Hazard's hidden bunkers. Split then teleported back to headquarters with a shrug and an unapologetic "Sorry, boss, it was him or me."

Despite his formidable teleporting powers, Split is a poor combatant. In yet another Black Ops battle with Steel, Split crumpled when hit by a glancing blow from John Henry Irons's trusty hammer. DW

SPECTRE

THE SPIRIT OF VENGEANCE

JIM CORRIGAN (SPECTRE I)
First appearance More Fun Comics #52 (February 1940)
Status Hero **Real name** James Brendan Corrigan
Occupation Police detective; spirit of vengeance
Base New York City
Height (as Corrigan) 6ft 1in **Weight** (as Corrigan) 184 lbs
Eyes (as Corrigan) Blue **Hair** (as Corrigan) Red, with white streak

HAL JORDAN (SPECTRE II)
First appearance (as the Spectre) Day of Judgement #5 (November 1999) **Status** Hero **Real name** Harold "Hal" Jordan
Occupation Former test pilot; Green Lantern; the Spirit of Wrath
Base Mobile
Height (as Jordan) 6ft **Weight** (as Jordan) 186 lbs
Eyes (as Jordan) Brown **Hair** (as Jordan) Brown

Special powers/abilities The Spectre is among the most powerful beings in the universe. Limited only by its need to bond with another host, the Spectre possesses the ability to fly at nearly any speed, become intangible, inhabit and animate objects, read minds, teleport and psychically project hideous fears into the hearts and souls of his victims. He can turn invisible, cast illusions, create impenetrable mists, travel across the astral planes, grow to incomprehensible size, and manipulate magics to nearly any end his spiritual mind can conceive!

Ghostly [illegible]

LOOSED ON EARTH by the almighty Presence in 776 BC, the Spectre is the mystical embodiment of God's wrath. When the angel Raphael, who rebelled against Heaven with Lucifer, repented his sin, God transformed him into an avenger that would inflict His wrath on sinful souls. The Spectre destroyed Sodom and Gomorrah, spread the ten plagues across Egypt, and brought down the walls of Jericho. After the birth of Jesus, whose mission was to teach people compassion, the Presence decreed that the spirits of vengeance and forgiveness should not exist on Earth at the same time. The Spectre bided in Limbo until Christ's death. Then, forced to bond with mortal souls to manifest his power, the Spectre leaped forth, meting out vengeance down the centuries.

Murder! [illegible]

JIM CORRIGAN

James Corrigan was the [illegible] of the Reverend Jedediah Corrigan, a fundamentalist preacher who physically and emotionally abused his son to discourage him from the temptations of sin. As a teenager, Corrigan ran away to New York City and enrolled in the police academy, excelling as a detective by 1935. Self-righteous and arrogant, Corrigan [illegible] Corrigan's brutality caught up with him when he was killed by mobster Gat Benson in 1940. Corrigan's soul [illegible] vengeance and [illegible] by the Spectre. Bound with the Spectre's power, Corrigan's spirit returned to his body and Corrigan [illegible] Benson. The Spectre was subsequently encouraged to use his power for good by Percival Popinski, a patrolman who witnessed Benson's demise. Manifesting itself as a ghostly spirit, the Spectre joined the JUSTICE SOCIETY OF AMERICA as one of its most powerful members. After World War II, the Spectre fought the demon Azmodus, who trapped the Spirit of Vengeance in Corrigan's undead form for the next two decades. The Ghostly Guardian quarreled often with his earthly host over methodology and the nature of humanity itself.

Avenging angel [illegible]

THE CRISIS
During the Crisis (*see* Great Battles pp. 362-3) the Spectre traveled back to the dawn of time and used his vast power to save all of Creation as its heroes battled the universe-consuming Anti-Monitor. The Spectre's powers were greatly diminished and he was once again separated from Corrigan. Exhausted by his life on Earth and forgiving his father for his abuses, Corrigan pleaded with the Presence to allow his soul to travel to its final resting place. The Spectre, nearly omnipotent, was once again left without a human focus.

HAL JORDAN

Hal Jordan was [illegible] Green Lantern [illegible] Justice League of America [illegible] Spectre [illegible] Jordan's [illegible] its new [illegible] inhabit [illegible] of [illegible] Parallax [illegible] his first [illegible] with [illegible] the Zero [illegible] 362–3[illegible] and time [illegible] the Earth's sun, [illegible] by an [illegible] at the [illegible] to Pu[illegible] the Spectre's [illegible] Asmodel.

Returned to Earth [illegible] the spirit of Hal Jordan [illegible] the Spectre wander the [illegible] while inflicting [illegible] PJ

HELPING YOUNG JUSTICE

[illegible]

JLA ALLY Hal Jordan [illegible] Hal [illegible]

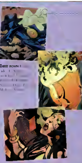
KEY STORYLINES

- ***MORE FUN COMICS #52 (FEBRUARY 1940):*** The first appearance of the ghostly avenger.
- ***DC SPECIAL #29 (SEPTEMBER 1977):*** The Spectre becomes a founding member of the Justice Society of America.
- [illegible] on Infinite Earths (tpb, 2000): The Spectre stops the Anti-Monitor from destroying all creation and reignites the universe.
- ***DAY OF JUDGMENT #1–4 (NOVEMBER 1999–FEBRUARY 2000):*** Hal Jordan rescues the spirit of God's wrath from Asmodel and becomes the new Spectre.

DARK SEDUCTIONS [illegible] body [illegible] during [illegible]

UN-TETHERED SPIRIT

Hal Jordan's [illegible] the Spectre's host [illegible] of Parallax—an ancient fear entity that [illegible] Spirit of Vengeance [illegible] Parallax, Jordan [illegible] the right to resume his former [illegible] the Spectre [illegible] Lacking the grounding [illegible] spirit the Spectre [illegible] with the concerns of mortal [illegible] lashed out with [illegible] disproportionate punishment [illegible] executing [illegible] back to her father. In [illegible] the Spectre [illegible] target for ECLIPSO—[illegible] Spirit of Revenge who [illegible] the body of Jean Loring [illegible] JEAN). Eclipso [illegible] the addled Spectre [illegible] represented a [illegible] God's orderly laws, and that [illegible] eliminating all [illegible] purge the universe of evil [illegible] he existed as [illegible] himself as his final [illegible] the Spectre planned to [illegible] life. The Spectre's campaign against spellcasters [illegible] marked an end to what had been known [illegible] Ninth Age of Magic. His first targets included the [illegible] community. The Spectre burned out the [illegible] Madame Xanadu so she would be incapable of [illegible] imprisoned Doctor Fate inside his enchanted [illegible] Although the Spectre lacked the power to kill the [illegible] Sorcerer, he left him powerless by transforming [illegible] Dozens of lesser magicians perished when the Spectre [illegible] their mass gathering, and even the kingdom of Atlantis fell beneath the Spectre's [illegible]

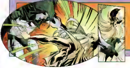


THREE DOWN [illegible]

SHADOWPACT SHOWDOWN

The [illegible] the [illegible] Oblivion Bar [illegible] Nightshade [illegible] Ragman, Nightmaster, Blue Devil, the Enchantress and Detective Chimp [illegible] group known as the Shadowpact [illegible] the new team [illegible] Rock of Eternity [illegible] Shadowpact [illegible] by Captain Marvel and the [illegible] energy of the planet's population. The Spectre [illegible] regained his strength for a [illegible] with the Shadowpact. [illegible] time, Black Adam [illegible] tapped his powers. Teleporting [illegible] Rock of Eternity, the Spectre [illegible] Shazam, causing the Rock to explode above Gotham City and freeing the spirits of the Seven Deadly Sins [illegible] by the Lord of Order Nabu, the Shadowpact and other [illegible] collected the Deadly Sins and [illegible] turned the Spectre's anger [illegible] however, the Spectre [illegible] grabbed [illegible] heavenly [illegible] the [illegible] to seek a new human host.

CLASH OF TITANS [illegible] Captain Marvel [illegible] with the Spectre in Budapest.



END OF THE NINTH AGE The maddened Spectre [illegible] the [illegible] the Rock of [illegible] the end [illegible] release of the [illegible] to a battle [illegible]

CRISPUS ALLEN (SPECTRE III)
First appearance Detective Comics #742 (March 2000)
Status Instrument of retribution **Occupation** Police detective; Spirit of Vengeance **Base** Gotham City
Height 6ft **Weight** 180 lbs **Eyes** Brown **Hair** Black
Special powers/abilities The Spectre is among the most powerful beings in the universe, limited only by its need to bond with another host.

CRISPUS ALLEN

The Spectre's third host came from the ranks of the Gotham City Police Department. [illegible] Crispus Allen [illegible] and masked [illegible] helping [illegible] Allen worked alongside fellow detective Renee Montoya [illegible] Renee [illegible] the GCPD's Major [illegible] Allen's [illegible] a tragic turn when he crossed paths with [illegible] Corrigan—who bore the same name [illegible] otherwise unrelated to the [illegible] Corrigan who had originally [illegible] the Spectre's host. During [illegible] investigation gone bad Allen saved [illegible] life by shooting and killing [illegible] Black Spider. An internal [illegible] inquiry into the incident [illegible] when Corrigan [illegible] the scene [illegible] Allen's actions [illegible] Corrigan [illegible] Montoya [illegible] gave up the [illegible] the crooked [illegible] Allen's [illegible] his tracks [illegible] Allen [illegible] Corrigan Allen [illegible] the Spectre. Allen's spirit [illegible] pleas [illegible] spirit of retribution [illegible] back [illegible] Allen [illegible] the Spectre [illegible] were [illegible] Allen took [illegible] the Spectre [illegible] Allen had [illegible] Allen [illegible] Allen as [illegible] [illegible]/DW

BACK FROM THE DEAD [illegible] Crispus Allen [illegible] Spectre's [illegible]

BLIND JUSTICE [illegible]

SPOILER

FIRST APPEARANCE DETECTIVE COMICS #647 (August 1992)
STATUS Hero (deceased) **REAL NAME** Stephanie Brown
HEIGHT 5ft 5in **WEIGHT** 129 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Blonde
OCCUPATION High school student; adventurer **BASE** Gotham City
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Above average combatant; utility bandoleer containing gas capsules, smoke bombs, and other equipment supplied by Robin III.

A [illegible] Stephanie Brown is the [illegible] better known as the criminal Cluemaster. [illegible] own costumed alter ego, the Spoiler, [illegible] to "spoil" her father's lawbreaking [illegible]. But even after the Cluemaster was remanded again and [illegible] Blackgate Penitentiary for rehabilitation, the Spoiler continued [illegible] patrol Gotham City, despite the admonitions of Batman [illegible] III (Tim Drake). Against the Dark Knight's wishes [illegible] enabled Stephanie to operate as the Spoiler, often supplying [illegible] with necessary equipment. Friends at first, the pair soon be[illegible] romantically linked. Later Batman relented and began [illegible] Stephanie in crime-fighting skills, although her training [illegible] short when the Dark Knight's alter ego, Bruce W[illegible] accused of murdering journalist Vesper Fairchild [illegible]. The Spoiler then apprenticed [illegible] Black Canary II for a brief time. She [illegible] heroine, usually in the company of her [illegible]. However, when Tim's father, Jack Drake [illegible] vigilante activities, Tim was forced [illegible] of Robin for a brief time. With Bat[illegible] Stephanie became the [illegible] female Robin during [illegible] was killed in action not long after returning [illegible] role as the Spoiler. SB

GIRL WONDER
[illegible]

ABSENT FATHER
[illegible]

SPY SMASHER

FIRST APPEARANCE WHIZ COMICS #1 (February 1940); (II) BIRDS OF PREY #100 (January 2007)
STATUS Hero (retired); (II) Hero **REAL NAME** Alan Armstrong; (II) Katarina Armstrong
OCCUPATION Former adventurer, former sportsman; (II) Government agent **BASE** The U.S.; (II) Mobile
HEIGHT 5ft 11in; (II) 5ft 11in **WEIGHT** 175 lbs; (II) 149 lbs **EYES** Blue; (II) Green **HAIR** Black; (II) Blonde
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES A skilled hand-to-hand combatant; for a time, he flew the technologically advanced Gyrosub. (II) Expert hand-to-hand combatant and skilled with firearms; possesses a gift for international intelligence.

As Spy Smasher, Alan Armstrong [illegible] World War II [illegible] America [illegible] RG

SQUIRE III

FIRST APPEARANCE JLA #26 (February 1999)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Unknown
OCCUPATION Ultramarine **BASE** Ultramarine base: Superbia
HEIGHT 5ft 6in **WEIGHT** 131 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Black
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Scrappy fighter who learned to stand up for herself on the backstreets of London.

The current Squire [illegible] Knight [illegible] DW

STALKER

FIRST APPEARANCE STALKER #1 (July 1975)
STATUS Villain (deceased) **REAL NAME** Unknown
OCCUPATION Warrior **BASE** Mobile
HEIGHT 6ft 2in **WEIGHT** 520 lbs **EYES** Red **HAIR** Black
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Master of armed and unarmed combat; superstrength; supersenses; enhanced reflexes; near invulnerability; unrivaled tracking ability; power blast projection from hands.

[illegible] Stalker [illegible] PJ

STALNOIVOLK

FIRST APPEARANCE FIRESTORM 2nd series #67 (January 1988)
STATUS Villain **REAL NAME** Ivan Illyich Gort
OCCUPATION Special agent for K.G.B. **BASE** Moscow, Russia
HEIGHT 6ft 2in **WEIGHT** 275 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Black
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Superhuman strength, speed, and agility; retarded aging; considerable resistance to pain and injury.

Peasant Ivan Illyich Gort was selected by the Soviet government to be transformed into a Russian superman and symbol of resistance to Nazi Germany during World War II. Called Stalnoivolk, a name that translates as "Steel Wolf" in English, Gort was a model Communist, utterly loyal to Josef Stalin after the war and an active participant in the dictator's bloody purges. Stalnoivolk was exiled to Siberia following his leader's death and the Soviet rejection of Stalinist politics.

Decades later, Stalnoivolk—still strong and vital as a result of the experiments that empowered him—became a KGB agent and was sent to the US to oppose [illegible] after the nuclear [illegible] sought to eliminate the world's atomic [illegible]. While in the US, Stalnoivolk killed Richard Dare (CAPTAIN X), the grandfather of Ronnie Raymond, one of Firestorm's alter egos. While in federal custody, Stalnoivolk [illegible] the Soviet [illegible] the dissolution of the USSR into independent states. SB

STANLEY & HIS MONSTER

FIRST APPEARANCE GREEN ARROW (2nd series) #1 (April 2001)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Stanley Dover
OCCUPATION None **BASE** Star City
HEIGHT 3ft 2in **WEIGHT** 65 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Blond
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES No powers, but a kind heart; an innocent pawn in his Grandpa's dastardly schemes. The Monster was huge and powerful, but rather slow-moving.

Satanic worshipper Stanley Dover sought [illegible] his soul to a demon. Instead, the [illegible] grandson who drew [illegible] name, became the [illegible] of a binding to the [illegible]. Eventually the magic [illegible] discovered that the [illegible] named Spot had been hiding in his grandson's closet. He drew it out, the warlock imprisoned his grandson and defiled him with the blood of victims he had killed in the Star City Slash[illegible] Green Arrow entered the picture after the Stanley Slasher [illegible] ongoing. The warlock realized that the archer was a body without a soul and tried to transfer his soul into Queen's body. [illegible] Stanley [illegible] ed the summer. RG

STAR BOY

FIRST APPEARANCE LEGIONNAIRES #0
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Thom Kallor
OCCUPATION Assassin **BASE** Legion World
HEIGHT 5ft 8in **WEIGHT** 140 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Brown
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Has the ability to alter the mass of any object or person; possesses an array of super strength, flight, and limited invulnerability.

In the 31st Century, Xanthuan hero Star Boy of a team of super-powered teens called the Uncanny Amazers used his mass-shifting powers to defeat High Brow, Madam Sloppy and Violence Queen. He was nearly killed when his space cruiser was [illegible]. While recovering, he gained further powers due to [illegible] meat from [illegible] whale [illegible] Star Boy [illegible] Star Boy [illegible] the Amazers [illegible] the Legion of Super-Heroes.

In another timeline of the Legion of Super-Heroes, Star Boy adventured with the Legion until finally taking on the title of Starman. During the Lightning Saga, he traveled back to the 21st century with several other Legionnaires but the trip scrambled his mind [illegible] behind in the past. Starman found time between voluntary stints at a mental institution to become a member of the JUSTICE SOCIETY OF AMERICA, where he helped bring the Superman of Earth-22 into the JSA's fold. A third version of Star Boy exists in the 31st century of the [illegible] reality, where he [illegible] Star Boy. RG

STARRO

FIRST APPEARANCE BRAVE AND THE BOLD #28 (March 1960)
STATUS Villain **REAL NAME** Inapplicable
HEIGHT Variable **WEIGHT** Variable
EYE Red sclera with yellow pupil **HAIR** None
OCCUPATION Alien mental **BASE** Mobile throughout universe
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Can exert mental control over others, fire force bolts, and release thousands of small probes that attach to their victims' faces and turn them into slaves.

[illegible]

STARRO The [illegible]

ALL FALL DOWN [illegible]

STAR HAWKINS

FIRST APPEARANCE STRANGE ADVENTURES #114 (March 1960)
STATUS Hero (deceased) **REAL NAME** Star Hawkins
OCCUPATION Private detective **BASE** New City, Earth, in 2078
HEIGHT 5ft 10in **WEIGHT** 176 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Brown
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES A renowned detective with amazing mystery solving skills, an excellent martial artist; carries a special laser gun.

[illegible] Star Hawkins [illegible] pending [illegible] money faster than [illegible]. His ally was a robot named Ilda, a secretary and housecleaner whom he often had to pawn when he needed money. However, he always bought her right back after getting paid for his latest case. Star was eventually assigned to the U.S. government's National Science Center [illegible] premier law enforcement agency. In the year 2092, on his last case, Hawkins saved Automan, a 1[illegible] old robot from destruction. [illegible] Star Hawkins struck up a friendship [illegible] CAPTAIN COMET. Following the Infinite [illegible] Star Hawkins lost his life to a mysterious [illegible] Hawkins Station prompting Captain Comet to [illegible] the murder. PJ

STAR ROVERS, THE

FIRST APPEARANCE MYSTERY IN SPACE #66 (March 1961)
STATUS Hero team **BASE** Mobile
MEMBERS AND POWERS
HOMER GLINT Novelist and sportsman
KAREL SORENSEN Glamorous markswoman
RICK PURVIS Playboy athlete

Spacefaring adventurers [illegible] Homer Glint, Karel Sorensen, and Rick Purvis [illegible] rocketing to save Earth from [illegible] extraterrestrial threats. More often than not, each experiences the [illegible] and through separate encounters. After [illegible] the friendly rivals invariably discover that three heads are better than one. These Star Rovers are [illegible] Earth organization so their exploits [illegible] which suits these stellar thrill seekers just fine. SB

THE STAR ROVERS 1) Homer Glint **2)** Karel S[illegible] **3)** Rick Purvis

STARFIRE

FIRST APPEARANCE DC COMICS PRESENTS #26 (October 1980)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Koriand'r
OCCUPATION Exiled queen; Teen Titan **BASE** Themyscira
HEIGHT 6ft 4in **WEIGHT** 158 lbs **EYES** Green **HAIR** Auburn
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Natural ability to fly; absorbs solar energy and emit light has been augmented to let her turn that light into destructive force beams; trained to be a warrior.

FIRST KISS Robin [illegible] attracted to the [illegible] Princess, who [illegible] how to [illegible] English language [illegible]

FIGHT CLUB Sparring with Blackfire [illegible] one of [illegible] Koriand'r's [illegible]

[illegible] Koriand'r was the [illegible] children. The elder [illegible] Komand'r [illegible] she was denied [illegible] and the [illegible] fell to Koriand'r. When both sisters [illegible] sent to train with the legendary Warlords of Okaara, the bitter Komand'r [illegible] allying herself with the Citadel [illegible] They used Komand'r [illegible] to successfully invade the [illegible] King Myand'r [illegible] Koriand'r over to the Citadel's tend[illegible] peace.

[illegible] endured six years of [illegible] and Komand'r [illegible] spent [illegible] the [illegible] (see Alan [illegible] p. 10-7). Both [illegible] however Koriand'r [illegible] to Earth [illegible] TEEN TITANS [illegible] remain with the [illegible], taking the [illegible] Starfire. She gave [illegible] Robin [illegible] the English language [illegible] and [illegible] loved [illegible] She [illegible] many [illegible] the Titans and heartbreak [illegible] of Starfire [illegible] the Sun [illegible] During the [illegible] Starfire, ANIMAL MAN, and Strange (see STRANGE, ADAM) [illegible] through deep space [illegible] year crossing path [illegible] deadly Lady Styx. Upon [illegible] Earth, Star[illegible] RG

FEEL THAT FORCE [illegible] her considerable destructive [illegible]

STAR SAPPHIRE

FIRST APPEARANCE GREEN LANTERN (2nd series) #16 (October 1962) **STATUS** Villain **REAL NAME** Carol Ferris
OCCUPATION Estranged queen **BASE** Mobile
HEIGHT 5ft 7in **WEIGHT** 126 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Black
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Sapphire gem permits flight and space travel; fires energy blasts; protects against damage.

The Zamarons, immortal female counterparts to the GUARDIANS OF THE UNIVERSE, developed their own warrior culture on their planet. Appointing a queen from the ranks of the galaxy's mortals became a tradition, and each woman selected became known as Star Sapphire.

In the late 20th century the Zamarons chose Ferris Aircraft president Carol Ferris as their queen. When she refused, they hypnotized her using the power of the sapphire gem to give her superpowers and a separate Star Sapphire identity, which she forgot every time she awoke from the sapphire's spell. In her first mission she obeyed the Zamarons' hypnotic suggestion to attack GREEN LANTERN Hal Jordan, the love she felt [illegible] her civilian identity.

Recently the star sapphire took possession of Hal Jordan's love interest Jillian "Cowgirl" Pearlman [illegible] that the gem controlled [illegible] love on the [illegible] emotional spectrum [illegible] green willpower and yellow fear.

Earth's predecessor in the role of Star Sapphire still lives inside the 7th Dimension, though she has grown old and decrepit. This Golden Age Star Sapphire was known for tormenting Jay Garrick (the original FLASH) during the 1940s. **DW**

BEJEWELED [illegible] Carol Ferris [illegible] the role of [illegible]

GOLDEN AGE Earth's previous Star Sapphire has been all but forgotten.

STARGIRL & S.T.R.I.P.E.

FIRST APPEARANCE [Stargirl] STARS AND S.T.R.I.P.E. #0 (July 1999) [S.T.R.I.P.E.] STARS AND S.T.R.I.P.E. #0 (July 1999)
STATUS Heroes **REAL NAMES** [Stargirl] Courtney Elizabeth Whitmore; [S.T.R.I.P.E.] Pat Dugan **OCCUPATION** [Stargirl] High school student, adventurer; [S.T.R.I.P.E.] mechanic, inventor
BASE Blue Valley, Nebraska **HEIGHT** [Stargirl] 5ft 5in; [S.T.R.I.P.E. in armor] 7ft **WEIGHT** [Stargirl] 127 lbs; [S.T.R.I.P.E. in armor] 425 lbs **EYES** [Stargirl] Blue; [S.T.R.I.P.E.] red **HAIR** [Stargirl] Blonde; [S.T.R.I.P.E.] None
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES [Stargirl] Cosmic converter belt gives her superstrength and reflexes and the ability to project light forms that affect the human nervous system; also uses the cosmic rod, which allows her to fly and project blasts of solar energy. [S.T.R.I.P.E.] Robot with flight capabilities and damage resistant exoskeleton; telescopic vision; fist rocket launcher; grappling hook; net launcher; fire retardant spray; headlights; a chest cavity that [illegible], electric shock cables; fan; tracking device for Stargirl; satellite feeds; virtual reality control system.

Pat Dugan was a mechanic during World War II, who became the sidekick of the Star-Spangled Kid. The two fought the Axis powers with the SEVEN SOLDIERS OF VICTORY until a battle with the NEBULA MAN, a powerful villain composed of temporal energy, trapped the duo in centuries in the past.

Dugan was rescued by the JUSTICE SOCIETY OF AMERICA and emerged in the present, a man out of time. Pat married, had a son, and settled down, but his cousin stole the patents of his inventions and left him penniless. Overwhelmed by their financial problems, Dugan's wife left them. Dugan worked briefly with INFINITY, INC. until the Kid's murder by Mister Bones (see DIRECTOR BONES). Distraught, he moved his new family, including his stepdaughter Courtney, to Blue Valley, Nebraska.

Courtney, who disdained her stepfather for moving her from her friends and life in Los Angeles, learned of Dugan's past and stumbled upon the cosmic converter belt designed for the original Star Spangled Kid. Courtney used the belt and became the second Star Spangled Kid just to make Dugan angry. Dugan created the S.T.R.I.P.E. battle-suit to assist his stepdaughter, who got herself into trouble almost immediately.

THE INNER MAN [illegible] inside [illegible] S.T.R.I.P.E. armor, Pat Dugan has been a hero since World War II.

FULL FORCE GIRL [illegible] strength, speed, and the power [illegible] Solomon Grundy see stars!

Since then Courtney has curbed her recklessness and become a professional hero. After proving herself in battle against Mordru (see DARK LORD), she was asked to join the JSA. She inherited the cosmic rod from STARMAN Jack Knight and defeated her biological father, a member of the ROYAL FLUSH GANG. Courtney then changed her name to Stargirl. S.T.R.I.P.E. remains a reserve member of the JSA, dutifully watching over Courtney as she becomes a legend herself. **PJ**

STATE OF INDEPENDENCE Stargirl has become one of the strongest [illegible] and [illegible] members of the JSA!

STARMAN

THE STARRY KNIGHT

STARMAN I
FIRST APPEARANCE Adventure Comics #61 (April 1941)
STATUS Hero (deceased) **REAL NAME** Theodore Henry Knight
OCCUPATION Astronomer adventurer **BASE** Opal City
HEIGHT 6ft **WEIGHT** 165 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Gray
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES A wealthy amateur scientific genius who helped develop the atomic bomb. He also invented a method for collecting energy radiated by stars and the Gravity Rod, which allowed him to fly; an average hand-to-combatant.

STARMAN II
See DR. MID-NITE I
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Paul "Roboman" Dennis and Jim "Red Torpedo" Lockhart designed and constructed a sophisticated star-shaped hovercraft that served as Starman II's transportation.

STARMAN III
FIRST APPEARANCE 1st Issue Special #12 (March 1976)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Mikaal Tomas
OCCUPATION Adventurer **BASE** Opal City
HEIGHT 6ft 2in **WEIGHT** 160 lbs **EYES** Pale blue **HAIR** Purple
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES The sonic crystal that was seared into his flesh allowed Mikaal to fire sonic blasts and granted him invulnerability and limited flight.

STARMAN IV
FIRST APPEARANCE Adventure Comics #467 (January 1980)
STATUS Hero (deceased) **REAL NAME** Prince Gavyn
OCCUPATION Adventurer **BASE** Throneworld
HEIGHT 6ft 2in **WEIGHT** 180 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Blond
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Could absorb energy and redirect it as heat or energy bolts.

STARMAN V
FIRST APPEARANCE Starman (1st series) #1 (October 1988)
STATUS Hero (deceased) **REAL NAME** William Payton
OCCUPATION Adventurer **BASE** Tucson, Arizona
HEIGHT 6ft 1in **WEIGHT** 180 lbs **EYES** Brown **HAIR** Brown
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Could emit heat and light, had the power of flight, and could alter his physical form.

STARMAN VI
FIRST APPEARANCE Starman (1st series) #26 (September 1990)
STATUS Hero (deceased) **REAL NAME** David Knight
OCCUPATION Adventurer **BASE** Opal City
HEIGHT 5ft 11in **WEIGHT** 170 lbs **EYES** Brown **HAIR** Brown
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES While possessing the cosmic rod (David) could fly and direct energy bolts, although he was never especially adept at it.

THE LEGEND OF THE STARMAN harnessing the stars for the greater good of humanity stretches from the dawn of the atomic age through the millennia. It begins with wealthy amateur astronomer Ted Knight, who in 1939, created the Gravity Rod which enabled him to [illegible] or negate gravity. Crafting [illegible] hero costume, he took [illegible] as Starman.

[illegible] I

[illegible] heroic career led to his protecting his beloved Opal City but also [illegible] through his work with the Justice Society of America and the All-Star [illegible]. He battled the Mist [illegible] an enmity that would [illegible] Knight, who was [illegible] of the atomic bomb [illegible] JSA after helping them beat the [illegible] computer known as Stalker Seven [illegible] this he suffered the first of a series of nervous breakdowns and bouts of depression which led him to [illegible] early give up his heroic career.

STARMAN II

[illegible]

OPAL CITY CHAMPIONS

[illegible]

CANARY KISS

When Starman [illegible] the first [illegible]

STARMAN IV AND V

One in the distant universe, Prince Gavyn became known as Starman IV [illegible] Battles [illegible] Earth. Teenager [illegible] Will [illegible] Starman I was away [illegible] to protect the Earth [illegible] Payton became Starman V. Will [illegible] both a hero and a teenager [illegible] from established heroes such as Batman and the Atom. [illegible]

STARMAN III

Unknown to Ted Knight, the blue-skinned Mikaal Tomas escaped from his fellow race of invading aliens from Talok III. Tomas began a [illegible] as Starman III while Ted raised his children. Within a year Mikaal Tomas killed the other surviving member of his race in ritual combat, then disappeared from sight for years. After his rescue from virtual imprisonment, Mikaal joined Starman VI for several adventures [illegible]

WILL PAYTON

[illegible]

STARMAN VII
FIRST APPEARANCE Zero Hour #1 (September 1994)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Jack Knight
OCCUPATION Antique dealer; adventurer **BASE** Opal City
HEIGHT 6 ft 1in **WEIGHT** 165 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Black
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Tu rod in jupiter and uses the Cosmic Rod to fly or to project energy bolts, levitate objects or create force fields.

STARMAN VIII
FIRST APPEARANCE Starman (2nd series) #79 (July 2001)
SEE STAR BOY
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES This native of Xanthu can control mass and fly.

STARMAN 1,000,000
FIRST APPEARANCE JLA #23 (November 1998)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Farris Knight
OCCUPATION Adventurer **BASE** Uranus
HEIGHT 6ft 4in **WEIGHT** 265 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Brown
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Uses a revamped version of the gravity rod, enabling him to fly, alter gravimetric forces and fight with fierce determination.

STARMAN VII

[illegible] David [illegible] when h[illegible] David's [illegible] family [illegible] dy bec[illegible] ... Jack [illegible] as Starman [illegible] attraction [illegible] unstable da[illegible] killed her broth[illegible] and sedu[illegible] partially conscious. A[illegible] and to learn that Nash [illegible] birth to his son, Kyle Theo Knight.

STARMAN & SON

TO THE STARS AND BACK

Accompanied by Mikaal [illegible] ... Jack [illegible] [illegible] Mari [illegible] Payton) Jack [illegible] cruel despot [illegible] Jack and Will [illegible] [illegible] RG

SADIE [illegible]

FOLLOWING DAD'S [illegible] Jack [illegible] father [illegible]

STARMAN VIII

[illegible] Knight's grandson [illegible] Starman [illegible] 853rd century [illegible] Starman [illegible] grandfather who discovered [illegible] Knight during the 853rd [illegible] a member of Justice [illegible] the gravity rod [illegible] himself to defeat Solaris.

KEY STORYLINES

- *STARMAN: SINS OF THE FATHER (TPB, 1996):* Jack Knight reluctantly becomes the latest Starman and learns about the rich family legacy—complete with adversaries.
- *STARMAN: STARS MY DESTINATION (TPB, 2004):* Jack and Mikaal find Prince Gavyn and Will Payton, [illegible] get involved in inter-galactic conflicts with consequences today and tomorrow.
- *THE BRAVE AND THE BOLD #61–62 (AUGUST–NOVEMBER 1965):* Starman I and Black Canary I share adventures against old foes the Sportsmaster and Huntress I.

STEAMROLLER

FIRST APPEARANCE GREEN LANTERN (2nd series) #176 (May 1984)
STATUS Villain **REAL NAME** Unknown
OCCUPATION Member of Demolition Team **BASE** Mobile
HEIGHT 5ft 11in **WEIGHT** 205 lbs
EYES Blue **HAIR** Black
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Drives a steamroller capable of leveling buildings.

[illegible]

[illegible] DW

STEEL I

FIRST APPEARANCE STEEL (1st series) #1 (March 1978)
STATUS Hero (deceased) **REAL NAME** Henry (Hank) Heywood I
OCCUPATION Crime fighter **BASE** Mobile
HEIGHT 6ft **WEIGHT** 378 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Blond
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Nearly indestructible due to steel construction and bioretardant skin; possesses enhanced strength and speed.

[illegible]

STEEL II

FIRST APPEARANCE JUSTICE LEAGUE OF AMERICA (1st series) ANNUAL #2 **STATUS** Hero **REAL NAME** Henry "Hank" Heywood III
OCCUPATION Troubleshooter **BASE** Detroit
HEIGHT 5ft 11in **WEIGHT** 179 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Red
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Superhuman strength, speed, and agility; enhanced hearing; infrared vision.

[illegible] SB

HEAVY METAL METTLE [illegible]

STEEL III

THE MAN OF IRON

FIRST APPEARANCE ADVENTURES OF SUPERMAN #500 (June 1993)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** John Henry Irons
OCCUPATION Inventor adventurer **BASE** Metropolis
HEIGHT 6ft 7in **WEIGHT** 210 lbs **EYES** Brown **HAIR** None
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES A scientific genius with amazing manufacturing skills and a brave fighter with little formal training. Specially designed armor confers protection in battle and enables him to fly. His main weapon is a remote-controlled hammer.

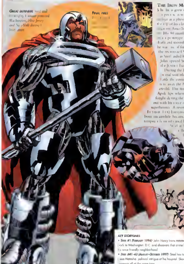
JOHN HENRY IRONS is a fighter forged from the same mold as Superman. When the Man of Tomorrow saved Irons from a fatal fall off a Metropolis skyscraper he challenged the construction worker to make his life count for something. A former weapons engineer for the ruthless AmerTek company, Irons longed to atone for the deaths his designs had caused. He chose the way of the hero [illegible] champion Steel.

FINAL FIRES [illegible]

THE IRON MAN

John Irons grew up surrounded by a loving family [illegible] Washington D.C. He entered college as a physics major and quickly rose to the top of his class. Realizing his potential as an engineer, AmerTek hired Irons and he designed the BG-80 assault rifle, also known as the "Toastmaster" [illegible] flying [illegible] prototype. Disillusioned by the misuse of his [illegible] faked his death and moved to Metropolis. After SUPERMAN died at DOOMSDAY's hands he was one of four men to briefly claim the Man of Steel's mantle. Irons and the resurrected Superman became close friends. John continued to adventure as Steel, aided by his plucky niece Natasha (see IRONS, NATASHA). Eventually John opened Steelworks, an industrial design concern. He also worked with the JUSTICE LEAGUE OF AMERICA.

During the Imperiex War (see Great Battles, pp. 362–3), Steel suffered mortal wounds while releasing Doomsday from the JLA Watchtower to battle the cosmic conqueror. At the same time Superman was unable to turn away the New God BLACK RACER, who ushered dead souls into the afterlife. This time however the Racer delivered Irons to Apokolips, where the crafty Darkseid restored his life. Steel fought during the Infinite Crisis, but soon had a falling-out with his niece over her desire to take the "easy road" to superheroics. A resentful Natasha joined Lex Luthor's (see LUTHOR, LEX) Everyman Project and received superpowers. Irons meanwhile became infected by Luthor's mutagenic which temporarily [illegible] his body into living metal. Ultimately Steel and Natasha realized the truth of Luthor's [illegible] and united to bring down the Everyman Project. RG



GREAT DEFENDER Steel and [illegible] Metropolis, New Jersey and [illegible]

IN THE 'HOOD John Henry Irons loved to work with the kids in his Washington D.C. neighborhood.

METAL WORK John developed [illegible] in his lab.

LIFE-SAVER The [illegible] of an Imperiex Probe [illegible] in the latter days of [illegible]

MELTING POINT FOR STEEL? [illegible] the world [illegible] that saved John's life.

KEY STORYLINES
- **STEEL #1 (FEBRUARY 1994):** John Henry Irons moves back to Washington, D.C. and discovers that crime has ruined his once friendly neighborhood.
- **STEEL #41–43 (AUGUST–OCTOBER 1997):** Steel has to handle his niece Natasha, political intrigue at his hospital, Skorpio, and romance all at the same time.
- **SUPERMAN VS. DARKSEID: APOKOLIPS NOW! (2003):** Superman braves Apokolips's worst forces to retrieve Steel's soul and return him to life.

INFINITE CRISIS

The CRISIS ON INFINITE EARTHS collapsed an endless number of parallel universes into a single, unified reality. But this blended existence could not contain its contradictions. With the interference of a madman, the multiverse was born again.

GUILT-RIDDEN [illegible] Dibny's death [illegible]

IDENTITY CRISIS

Fractures within the Justice League of America came to light with the stunning murder of Sue Dibny, wife of Elongated Man Ralph Dibny. Suspicion initially pointed to Doctor Light, who had horrifically assaulted Sue during the early years of the JLA. After Light's attack, a majority of League members had agreed to mind-wipe and reprogram him with Zatanna's magic – then had mind-wiped Batman when he discovered their actions.

The JLA had continued to use Zatanna's brainwashing to keep their secret identities hidden, leading to a betrayal of the trust that kept the team functioning. Yet Sue Dibny's murderer turned out to not be Doctor Light. The Atom's ex-wife Jean Loring had killed Sue and [illegible] important to the League (a plan that resulted in the death of Robin's father) as part of an insane scheme to win back the Atom's affections.

Loring's incarceration in Arkham Asylum drove her further into madness, making her an easy target to become the newest host for Eclipso.

BRAINWASHING Zatanna [illegible] Doctor Light [illegible] League members [illegible]

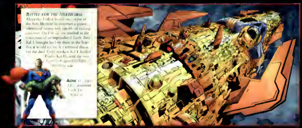
LOSS Robin's father [illegible] Boomerang kill [illegible] another, leaving Robin an [illegible]

RETURN OF THE LAST SURVIVORS

At the conclusion of the original Crisis, only four people remained from the previous multiverse: SUPERMAN (Kal-L) and Lois Lane (see LANE, LOIS) from Earth-Two, SUPERBOY from Earth-Prime, and Alexander Luthor from Earth-Three. They had existed in a pocket dimension, observing the history of this Earth and growing disturbed by its grey grimness.

Alexander Luthor and Superboy-Prime set plans in motion to recreate alternate Earths that would be more to their liking. Superboy-Prime altered the orbit of Thanagar to spark a war with the neighboring planet Rann, and also annihilated the Justice League of America's lunar Watchtower. Alexander Luthor posed as Earth's Lex Luthor (see LUTHOR, LEX), assembling a massive SECRET SOCIETY OF SUPER-VILLAINS. Meanwhile, the rampaging forces of ECLIPSO and the SPECTRE overturned the realm of magic, while the intelligent satellite Brother Eye—created by BATMAN—pursued its own agenda by transforming humans into unstoppable OMACs.

SPECTRE'S SINS *The destruction of the Rock of Eternity loosed the Seven Deadly Sins on Gotham.*



BATTLE FOR THE MULTIVERSE

Alexander Luthor looted the corpse of the Anti-Monitor to construct a gigantic vibrational tuning fork capable of making universes. His first success resulted in the restoration of an unpopulated Earth-Two. Kal-L brought his Lois there in the hope that it would reverse her terminal illness, but she died. Grief-stricken, Kal-L battled [illegible] Earth's Kal-El until the two [illegible] agreed to fight [illegible] side.

ALONE [illegible] *devastated* [illegible]

ALL-OUT ASSAULT

Superboy-Prime lashed [illegible] the Superboy [illegible] Superboy-Prime [illegible] killed [illegible] merging [illegible] radiation.

[illegible] Prime lashed [illegible] Kent, the Superboy [illegible] he believed had taken [illegible] Superboy-Prime killed [illegible] and killed [illegible] the Flashes [illegible] stronger, wearing [illegible] radiation.

[illegible] between [illegible] Superboy-Prime [illegible] the destruction [illegible] Alexander Luthor's [illegible]. With the destruction [illegible] Alexander's machine the [illegible] had [illegible] merged into a single reality. [illegible] New Earth had [illegible] changed [illegible].

[illegible] Alexander [illegible] the villains of the Secret [illegible] with Metropolis as their battleground. Superboy-Prime chose this moment [illegible] toward the planet Oa at near-light speed, hoping the collision would destroy this universe and trigger its rebirth. Superman [illegible] and the [illegible] of Earth-Two intercepted him, driving Superboy-Prime through the heart of [illegible]

THE NEW REALITY

The Green Lantern Corps took custody of Superboy-Prime, imprisoning him inside a miniature red sun. Alexander Luthor met his end on Earth, when the Joker took revenge for not receiving an invitation to join the Secret Society. At the time, no one realized that Alexander Luthor had partially succeeded in his plan. He had created 52 parallel universes, identical and existing on separate vibrational planes. It would be another year before the existence of the new multiverse became known. DW

SUPERBOY-PRIME *Unstoppable relic of the old multiverse, he shrugged off attacks from powerful heroes.*

LAST LAUGH *The Joker, left out of the action, took great pleasure in executing Alexander Luthor.*

STRANGE, ADAM

CHAMPION OF RANN

FIRST APPEARANCE SHOWCASE #17 (December 1958)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Jean Paul Valley
OCCUPATION Adventurer **BASE** The planet Rann
HEIGHT 6ft **WEIGHT** 175 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Blond
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Adam is a brilliant strategist and expert flyer. He can teleport across space using a Rannian mech, he also travels using a jet pack; wears a special suit fitted with oxygen tanks to survive in the airless vacuum of space; main weapon is a ray gun.

ARCHAEOLOGIST ADAM STRANGE was unexpectedly transported 25 trillion miles across space to the planet Rann. There he met the scientist Sardath, who explained that his Zeta beam had been intended purely as a communications tool but had turned out to be a teleportation device instead. Over time, Adam adapted so well to this new world that he became the planet's protector, using his wits and the native technology to overcome alien invasions, rogue monsters, and the occasional Tornado Tyrant.

ZETA BEAM LOVE

Adam fell in love with Sardath's beautiful daughter Alanna, but their romance was regularly interrupted, for whenever the Zeta beam radiation wore off Adam was yanked back to Earth. To return to Rann, Adam had to calculate the next time and location the Zeta Beam would strike. It was some time before Adam learned Rann's secret: Rannian men were all sterile and Adam had been brought to Rann to father a child with Alanna and perpetuate the race!

During his exploits on Rann, Adam was aided by the Justice League of America and many other heroes. Adam was finally drained of the toxic radiation that prevented him from making long-term stays on Rann. His romance with Alanna continued, and the JLA attended their wedding. Finally drained of the energy that kept him on Rann, Adam returned to Earth.

Later, using a "Mega Zeta Beam," Adam was permanently teleported to Rann. His happiness was shattered when Alanna died giving birth to their daughter Aleea. Sardath went mad, rocketing the city of Ranagar into space in a protective sphere. Seemingly deranged himself, Adam brought the JLA to Rann and commanded them "to restore the planet to its former glory!" In fact, Adam's actions were a ruse to outwit the En'Tarans. This race of [illegible] conquerors, who sought the Zeta Beam technology for their [illegible] dark purposes, revived Alanna from her deathlike state. Adam, Alanna, and Aleea were happily reunited.

Adam Strange returned to action with the Omega Men during an adventure that transported Rann into the same star system as Thanagar, sparking the Rann-Thanagar War. Strange lost [illegible] eyesight in the Infinite Crisis and spent a year stranded in space with Animal Man and Starfire, fighting the armies of Lady Styx. Returned home, he found himself replaced as Rann's champion. RG

BEAMED UP [illegible]

FADE OUT *After a time, the Zeta effect wears off and Adam is returned to Earth.*

LEARNING DEVICE Sardath, who developed the Zeta Beam, [illegible] to teach Adam [illegible]

CIRCLE OF FIRE *Green Lightning, a Green Lantern from the future, rescues Adam from peril on planet Rann.*

ZAPPING THE BAD GUY *Adam Strange is a fast thinker, it is still [illegible] to find a way to vanquish a foe. He's also a dead shot with his ray gun.*

KEY STORYLINES

- **ADAM STRANGE: MAN OF TWO WORLDS (1990)** Adam seemingly loses Rann, Alanna and his daughter in a cosmic conflict.
- **JUSTICE LEAGUE OF AMERICA #120–121 (JULY–AUGUST 1975)** Adam and Alanna finally get married, but not without considerable difficulty.
- **MYSTERY IN SPACE #60 (JUNE 1961)** Adam's first encounter with the deadly Dust Devils.
- **SHOWCASE #17 (NOVEMBER–DECEMBER 1958)** Adam first rides the Zeta Beam to discover Rann.

STEPPENWOLF

FIRST APPEARANCE NEW GODS (1st series) #7
STATUS Villain (deceased) **REAL NAME** Steppenwolf
OCCUPATION Military commander **BASE** Apokolips
HEIGHT 6ft **WEIGHT** 203 lbs **EYES** Red **HAIR** Black
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Dog cavalry commander; "aero-snare" device fires lethal energy beams and entraps opponents; wields an electro-axe and is an expert swordsman.

[illegible] PJ

STOMPA

FIRST APPEARANCE MISTER MIRACLE 1st series #6 (February 1972)
STATUS Villain **REAL NAME** Unknown
OCCUPATION Female Fury **BASE** Apokolips
HEIGHT 5ft 8in **WEIGHT** 330 lbs **EYES** Unknown **HAIR** Unknown
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Ruthless enforcer; heavy matter boots can pulverize even the densest material.

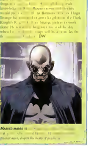
Raised on dreary Apokolips and [illegible] SB

STRANGE, ADAM *See* ADAM STRANGE

STRANGE, PROFESSOR HUGO

FIRST APPEARANCE DETECTIVE COMICS #36 (February 1940)
STATUS Villain **REAL NAME** Hugo Strange
OCCUPATION Psychiatrist; criminal **BASE** Gotham City
HEIGHT 5ft 10in **WEIGHT** 170 lbs
EYES Gray **HAIR** None (black beard)
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Brilliant deductive mind and extensive knowledge of psychology.

[illegible] Hugo Strange [illegible] only people to have [illegible] Batman's secret identity. [illegible] caped crusader's career, [illegible] Strange became [illegible] celebrity by appearing [illegible] shows and providing his [illegible] opinion" regarding the [illegible] vigilante's psychological [illegible] appointed a special [illegible] Gotham City's [illegible] Task Force, Strange's [illegible] the Batman [illegible] his mind [illegible] him to piece [illegible] clues linking [illegible] Bruce Wayne [illegible] used his [illegible] to torment the Dark Knight [illegible] and [illegible] make him [illegible] Bruce Wayne [illegible] forget [illegible] Strange and allow [illegible] defeat the professor [illegible] mind [illegible] knowledge [illegible] Wayne [illegible] would [illegible] Batman [illegible] Hugo Strange has [illegible] the Dark Knight [illegible] DW



MASKED MANIA [illegible] greatest asset, despite his lack of psych[illegible]

STRATA

FIRST APPEARANCE INVASION! #2 (Summer 1989)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Strata
OCCUPATION Interstellar operative **BASE** The planet Cairn
HEIGHT 7ft 2in **WEIGHT** 803 lbs **EYES** White **HAIR** None
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Superstrength, invulnerability; extremely long-lived.

Strata is from the planet [illegible] [illegible] PJ

STRIKER Z

FIRST APPEARANCE JLA #61 (February 2002)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Danny Tsang **OCCUPATION** Super hero
BASE San Francisco **HEIGHT** 5ft 10in **WEIGHT** 175 lbs
EYES Black **HAIR** Black **SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES** Biologically-created energy powers; his "flight jacket" is wired with built-in sensor arrays, sonic generators, shock cannons and other useful devices.

While working [illegible] S.T.A.R. Labs [illegible] SB

STRIPESY

FIRST APPEARANCE STAR SPANGLED COMICS #1 (October 1941)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Patrick Dugan
OCCUPATION Inventor **BASE** Blue Valley, Nebraska
HEIGHT 6ft 1in **WEIGHT** 210 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Red
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Pat has an extraordinary intellect and skill as a mechanic, first inventing a flying car in the 1940s and more recently the S.T.R.I.P.E. armor.

Sylvester Pemberton III and his chauffeur Pat Dugan were [illegible] on the Star Spangled Kid and Stripesy. Their exploits during World War II included [illegible] the [illegible] scientist Doctor Weerd and [illegible] with the [illegible] villain the Needle. [illegible] joined with other heroes to form the Seven Soldiers of Victory and had several adventures before becoming lost in time.

After returning to the present, Pat hung up his costume and married a woman named Maggie. They became the parents of a son, Michael. A [illegible] to the time stream caused his body and [illegible] to age unnaturally, but [illegible] -old before the magic [illegible] of the [illegible] Society of America could reverse the unnatural [illegible]. Pat subsequently divorced Maggie and married Barbara Whitmore. When Pat's stepdaughter Courtney Whitmore laid claim to Sylvester Pemberton's cosmic belt and became an adventurer, Pat returned to action in a robot battlesuit and the duo became Star-Spangled Kid and S.T.R.I.P.E. He briefly relocated the family to Metropolis to work with John Henry Irons' Steelworks (see Steel III). He has since moved everyone back to Blue Valley. Pat and Barbara now have a daughter, Patricia Lynn [illegible] RG

CHANGING WITH THE TIMES *Pat Dugan in his first costume [illegible]*

STRONGBOW

FIRST APPEARANCE ALL STAR WESTERN #58 (May 1951)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Strong Bow
OCCUPATION Peacemaker **BASE** North America
HEIGHT 6ft **WEIGHT** 165 lbs **EYES** Brown **HAIR** Black
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES A wise mind and a gentle spirit; is an expert shot with a bow and arrow.

Before Columbus discovered America, Strong Bow traveled the continent of North America on a mission of peace. His tribe had been massacred and Strong Bow had no [illegible] across the continent [illegible] good person [illegible] another. Strong Bow became a legendary mediator who revealed [illegible] mountain. Strong Bow [illegible] all took place at a time [illegible] had not yet been invaded by [illegible] North America.

On at least two occasions, Strong Bow had time-slipped brushes with the 20th century. During the Crisis he hopped through history with other Native American heroes to [illegible] a fight at Florida's Cape Canaveral. On another occasion several modern heroes encountered Strong Bow as part of the Rough Bunch, a group recruited to battle the time-traveling villain Extant in the Old West. DW

SUICIDE SQUAD *See opposite page*

SUMO, THE SAMURAI

FIRST APPEARANCE SUPERMAN VS. WONDER WOMAN (January 1978) **STATUS** Hero **REAL NAME** Sumo
OCCUPATION Villain **BASE** Asahikawa, Japan
HEIGHT 6ft 7in **WEIGHT** 300 lbs **EYES** Brown **HAIR** Black
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Deadly warrior despite size; more agile than most men; exerts unusual control over his five senses.

Sumo was [illegible] the Enlightened One. His [illegible] the Enlightened One [illegible] potential power [illegible] Sumo [illegible] fighter and master swordsman. Sumo the Samurai pledged loyalty to Japan's Emperor Hirohito and battled the American All-Star Squadron during World War II as Hirohito's personal agent. Along with the Dragon King and Tsunami, Sumo was a member of the Samurai Squad. Sumo remains a legendary figure throughout the Land of the Rising Sun. His present whereabouts are unknown. SB

SUNBOY

FIRST APPEARANCE ACTION COMICS #276 (May 1961)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Dirk Morgna
OCCUPATION Legionnaire **BASE** Legion HQ, Earth
HEIGHT 5ft 7in **WEIGHT** 130 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Blond
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Projection of heat and light with precise control over color and intensity.

Sun Boy [illegible] the most powerful of the [illegible] Legion of Super-Heroes, existing in all incarnations of the team across multiple timelines. Dirk Morgna acquired his powers when a scientist, Doctor Regulus, exposed him to radioactive energies. Morgna gained the ability to generate heat and light in almost unlimited amounts, earning him a spot on the Legion as Sun Boy. In one Legion continuity an older Sun Boy became a puppet of [illegible] Dominator [illegible] fatally [illegible] the destruction [illegible] A younger clone of Dirk Morgna became the new Sun Boy but [illegible] Legion [illegible] captured by the villainous [illegible] the Justice [illegible] Earth [illegible] Sun Boy [illegible] held leader until [illegible] captive of the [illegible] later freed by [illegible] his teammates. DW

SUPER-CHIEF

FIRST APPEARANCE ALL STAR WESTERN #117 (March 1961)
STATUS Hero (deceased) **REAL NAME** Flying Stag
OCCUPATION Superpowered warrior **BASE** North America
HEIGHT 5ft 10in **WEIGHT** 170 lbs **EYES** Grey **HAIR** Black
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Meteorite fragment gives him superstrength, superspeed, flight, and an extended lifespan.

A [illegible] greatest warrior of the Wolf Clan in the late 1400s, Flying Stag knew he would win the contest to become Royaneh (Supreme Chief) of the Iroquois Nations. His rival, however, trapped him in a pit and Flying Stag prayed to the Great Spirit Manitou, a [illegible] fell from the sky. With a shard of the meteorite [illegible] Flying Stag [illegible] powers [illegible] Great Spirit he became Saganowahna, Super-Chief.

Super-Chief [illegible] life and took a bride, White Fawn. But the energy of the meteorite caused [illegible] everyone he knew [illegible] the late 1800s [illegible] Super-Chief [illegible] time. After [illegible] Super-Chief [illegible] while fighting [illegible] Skeet. DW

SUICIDE SQUAD

FIRST APPEARANCE THE BRAVE AND THE BOLD (1st series) #25 (Sept. 1959) **STATUS** Covert agents **BASE** Mobile, formerly Belle Reve prison, La. **NOTABLE MEMBERS** *Air Wave II (as Maser); Amanda Waller; Arsenal (as Speedy), Atom II, Atom III, Batman, Big Barda, Big Sir; Black Adam; Black Orchid II; Blackstarr; Blockbuster I; Bronze Tiger; Cameron Chase; Captain Boomerang; Captain Cold; Catalyst; Chronos I; Clock King, Doctor Light I, Enchantress, Killer Frost, King Shark, Major Disaster, Manhunter III, Nemesis, Parasite, Penguin, Plastique, Punch and Jewelee, Vixen, Shade.*

ELITE FORCE

During the 1950s, the Suicide Squad became an elite force assigned to covert missions abroad. After Rick Flag's wife died in a car accident, Flag himself perished in a suicide mission against the German War Wheel. Their son, Richard Flag Jr., under the eye of General J.E.B. Stuart (see HAUNTED TANK), grew up to become an Air Force colonel and the leader of a revamped Suicide Squad. Along with Karin Grace, Jess Bright, and Hugh Evans, Flag's Squad handled numerous threats to national security. After the tragic deaths of Bright and Evans on a mission in Cambodia, Karin Grace had a mental breakdown, and the Squad was disbanded.

Decades later congressional aide Amanda Waller (see WALLER, AMANDA) created a new Suicide Squad, many of whom were superhuman criminals. In exchange for a pardon and a fee, the criminals agreed to undertake war missions. Rick Flag, Jr. was recruited to be the Squad's field commander.

By maintaining a core group, the Suicide Squad undertook a number of missions, but several operatives died along the way, including Grace and Flag himself. After the terrorist KOBRA sabotaged the U.S. intelligence community in one of his attempts at world domination, and Waller was sent to prison for contempt of Congress, the Squad was disbanded.

The Squad has since been revived multiple times, once under the orders of President Lex Luthor (see LUTHOR, LEX) during the Imperiex War, and again under the leadership of SERGEANT ROCK. Amanda Waller assembled a new Suicide Squad following the Infinite Crisis, setting her team against BLACK ADAM and later using Squad operatives to capture dozens of super-villains for exile on the distant planet Salvation. PJ

THE FIRST SQUAD
1) *Jess Bright*
2) *Rick Flag, Sr.*
3) *Karin Grace*
4) *Dr. Hugh Evans*

WORKING UNDER THE AUSPICES of Task Force X, a secret U.S. government agency, the Suicide Squad is a unit of paramilitary and meta-human operatives first assembled during World War II. Under the command of Captain Richard Flag, Sr., this "Suicide Squadron," comprised soldiers who chose service with the Squad in lieu of a court martial. The squad's assignments were considered suicide missions—hence its name!

SGT. ROCK'S SQUAD
1) *Sgt. Rock*
2) *Modem*
3) *Deadshot*
4) *Blackstarr*
5) *Bulldozer*

INFINITE CRISIS SQUAD
1) *Cap. Boomerang II*
2) *The Persuader*
3) *Count Vertigo*
4) *Atom Smasher*
5) *Plastique*
6) *Electrocutioner*

KEY STORYLINES

- **BRAVE AND THE BOLD #25 (SEPTEMBER 1959)** Rick Flag gathers together his covert team for the U.S. government, forming the first ever Suicide Squad.
- **LEGENDS #1 (NOVEMBER 1986)** A new Suicide Squad, composed of super-villains, takes down the titanic Brimstone as Darkseid destroys Earth's legends!
- **SUICIDE SQUAD (1ST SERIES) #17–18 (SEPTEMBER–OCTOBER 1988):** The Suicide Squad prevents the Jihad terrorist group from destroying New York City!

SUPER-MALON

First appearance THE FLASH [illegible]
Status Hero team **Base** Buenos Aires, Argentina
Members and Powers
El Bagual Horse-headed humanoid with superstrength, superspeed. **Cachirú** Flight with wings, razor-sharp talons. **Cimarrón** A wild swashbuckling hero. **El Lobizon** A wolf-headed lycanthrope. **Pampero** Can control wind currents. **Salamanca** Sorceress who can project astral self and manipulate the weather. **Vizacacha** Master thief. **El Yaguareté** Superspeedster.

[illegible] the Super Malón [illegible] Argentina [illegible] defend [illegible] personal [illegible] the sorceress [illegible] When Barbara Minerva [illegible] Buenos Aires [illegible] the Super Malón [illegible] Wonder Woman [illegible] PJ

Super Malón
1) [illegible] **2)** Salamanca **3)** El Lobizon **4)** El Yaguareté
5) Pampero **6)** [illegible] **7)** [illegible]

SWAMP THING

See opposite page

SYLPH

First appearance NIGHTWING #48 (October 2000)
Status Villain **Real name** Sylvan Szabold
Occupation Criminal **Base** Blüdhaven
Height 5ft 6in **Weight** 120 lbs **Eyes** Brown **Hair** Brown
Special powers/abilities Special textile wrap is charged with static electricity and can entangle enemies.

[illegible] Sylph [illegible] Nightwing [illegible] wrapped [illegible] Sylph [illegible] DW

SYONIDE II

First appearance BATMAN AND THE OUTSIDERS #20 (April 1985)
Status Villain (deceased) **Real name** Unknown
Occupation Assassin **Base** Mobile
Height 5ft 9in **Weight** 140 lbs **Eyes** Blue **Hair** Orange
Special powers/abilities Wields electrically-charged whip and carries a gun loaded with paralysis and poison capsules.

The original Syonide [illegible] Syonide insisted he [illegible] he delivered [illegible] making him [illegible] a second [illegible] feared and [illegible] She battled the [illegible] She died while fighting [illegible] the Outsiders. DW

SUPERMEN OF AMERICA

First appearance SUPERMEN OF AMERICA #1 (March 1999)
Status Hero team **Base** Metropolis
Current Members and Powers
Brahma (Cal Urjak) Superstrong and invulnerable
Lotus (Theo Storm) Possesses powerful dermal force field
Maximum (Max Williams) Channels bursts of superhuman energy
Outburst (Mitch Anderson) Manipulates magnetic fields
Pyrogen (Claudia Doll) Flame-controlling pyrokinetic
White Lotus (Nona Lin) Martial artist empowered by mystic aura

[illegible] Outburst [illegible] Man of Steel [illegible] Luthor's offer [illegible] Superman's [illegible] Pyrogen [illegible] given [illegible] super [illegible] streets [illegible] Lex Luthor's [illegible] SB

Supermen of America
1) Brahma
2) Lotus
3) White Lotus
4) Outburst
5) [illegible] (deceased)
6) Pyrogen

SWAMP THING

FIRST APPEARANCE HOUSE OF SECRETS #92 (July 1971)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Alec Holland
OCCUPATION Plant elemental **BASE** Houma, Louisiana
HEIGHT Variable **WEIGHT** Variable **EYES** Red **HAIR** None
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Earth's plant elemental can manifest itself wherever there is organic life and can sense anything that affects said life; superstrong, with amazing regenerative powers; can change size and shape; can travel back through time.

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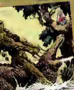
UNDER [illegible]

AVATAR OF THE GREEN

[illegible]

BEAUTY AND THE BEAST [illegible]



[illegible] world anew. RG

GATOR TAMER Swamp Thing [illegible]

KEY STORYLINES
- **SWAMP THING: DARK GENESIS (TPB, 1991)**: The original storyline of the Swamp Thing and Abby.
- **SWAMP THING (2ND SERIES) #61 (JUNE 1987)**: In "All Flesh is Grass," while exiled in space, he encounters Green Lantern Medphyl's homeworld.
- **SAGA OF THE SWAMP THING #34 (MARCH 1985)**: Abby eats a tuber and experiences life from Swamp Thing's perspective.
- **SWAMP THING #21 (FEBRUARY 1984)**: Swamp Thing learns he is not Alec Holland but a plant elemental.
- **HOUSE OF SECRETS #92 (JULY 1971)**: The first-ever Swamp Thing story.

SUPERBOY

THE TEEN OF STEEL

FIRST APPEARANCE ADVENTURES OF SUPERMAN #500 (June 1993)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAMES** Kon-El, Conner Kent
OCCUPATION Student adventurer **BASE** Smallville, San Francisco
HEIGHT 5ft 7in **WEIGHT** 150 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Black
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Superboy has "tactile telekinesis" which mimics superstrength and flight and other Kryptonian abilities; can disassemble objects by touching them.

A clone of SUPERMAN [illegible] by the Cadmus Project, the world's most advanced genetic research facility, Superboy is a custom [illegible] copy of the Man of Steel. In fact, Superboy was one of many such clones engineered by Cadmus for the purpose of replacing Superman using DNA samples taken from the Kryptonian champion after his battle with DOOMSDAY. Superboy, however, was the only clone to survive.

TEST TUBE HERO [illegible]

BOY OF STEEL [illegible]

CREATING A SUPER HERO

The Cadmus scientists stabilized [illegible] by grafting Superman's alien DNA onto a [illegible] DNA [illegible]. The clone was then transformed through rapid [illegible] into a 16-year-old boy in weeks. The young [illegible] confines of Cadmus by the Newsboy Legion, [illegible] than Superboy. "[illegible]," the [illegible] Dubbilex and [illegible] the young clone [illegible]. Along [illegible] costume [illegible], Superboy then revealed himself to the world. Superboy [illegible] Superman, but [illegible] the distance from Metropolis [illegible] identity [illegible] father. There he began dating Tana Moon, a journalist who [illegible] after helping Superboy [illegible] television station WGBS [illegible] the Metropolis Kid. [illegible] body [illegible] to deteriorate [illegible] clone plague, Superboy's DNA became "frozen" at his 16-year-old age. Superman gave the young clone the Kryptonian name Kon-El. Soon [illegible] Superboy had a brief affair with [illegible] Tana Moon broke up with him and [illegible] away.

CLONED [illegible] with Superman's DNA, Kon-El [illegible]

SUPER SECRET *Robin helped Superboy deduce the secret from the young clone's past—the source of his human DNA—a secret the Boy Wonder was [illegible] to conceal.*

A GRIM DISCOVERY

Superboy returned to Metropolis as Project Cadmus' special agent and also helped found YOUNG JUSTICE. Superboy was then kidnapped by the Agenda, a clandestine organization of cloners, and was replaced for months by an evil duplicate named Match. Superboy eventually escaped the Agenda, but not before, Tana Moon was killed by the Agenda's leader Amanda Spence, Paul Westfield's cyborg daughter. Superboy was then adopted by Superman's parents, Jonathan and Martha Kent (*see* KENTS, THE), and enrolled in Smallville High School as Conner Kent, Clark Kent's young cousin. After Young Justice's dissolution, Superboy joined the TEEN TITANS. He then learned that his human strand of DNA was Lex Luthor's (*see* LUTHOR, LEX), a horrifying secret he initially shared only with his teammate ROBIN.

FRIENDLY FIRE [illegible]

LEX'S LEGACY

Superboy's self [illegible] human DNA [illegible] [illegible] Westfield, [illegible] [illegible] by thoughts [illegible] found himself [illegible] control [illegible] of his mind. [illegible] Lex and turned [illegible] both Robin and Wonder [illegible] back [illegible] The experience [illegible] absence from the Titans and a period of [illegible] in Smallville.

FINAL MOMENTS [illegible]

INFINITE CRISIS

[illegible]

SACRIFICE [illegible]

FALLEN [illegible]

NOT FORGOTTEN

[illegible] "Titans East." RG/DW

IN MEMORIAM [illegible]

KEY STORYLINES

- ***ADVENTURES OF SUPERMAN* #500 (June 1993):** Superboy and three others began the Reign of the Supermen after Doomsday nearly killed the Man of Steel.
- ***SUPERBOY* (3RD SERIES) #74 (MARCH 2000):** Tana Moon, Superboy's girlfriend, dies at the hands of the villainous Agenda!
- ***TEEN TITANS* (3RD SERIES) #1 (AUGUST 2003):** After joining the latest incarnation of the Teen Titans, Superboy discovers that he shares Lex Luthor's DNA!

SUPERGIRL

THE MAID OF MIGHT

FIRST APPEARANCE ACTION COMICS #252 (May 1959)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Kara Zor-El
OCCUPATION Adventurer **BASE** Metropolis
HEIGHT 5ft 5in **WEIGHT** 135 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Blonde
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Under the Sun's solar radiation, Supergirl's Kryptonian physique absorbs energy and can fly; has superstrength, superspeed, invulnerability, acute hearing, and a range of vision including emitting X-rays and heat.

COUNTLESS PARALLEL UNIVERSES existed prior to the catastrophic Crisis on Infinite Earths. In one such pocket universe, Superman was not the sole survivor of Krypton. That world's Superboy, however, died in the 30th century while saving that universe's Legion of Super-Heroes. Three Kryptonian criminals managed to survive as well, and found their way to Earth. No one powerful enough was left to stop them. That world's Lex Luthor (a LUTHOR, LEX), a noble scientist, created a lifeform from protomatter using genetic material supplied by Lana Lang (see LANG, LANA), hoping it could help defeat the deadly trio.

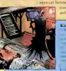
LUTHOR'S TOY [illegible]

WITHOUT SUPERMAN Supergirl [illegible] powers [illegible] and all

THE MATRIX

This shape-changing being was dispatched to a parallel world in hope Superman could help. The Man of Steel answered the call [illegible] forced to kill the three Kryptonians to save the [illegible] known as Matrix, was reduced to an [illegible]. Superman brought Matrix to his world and there [illegible] Kents. [illegible] Matrix [illegible] Supergirl. When Superman [illegible] killed [illegible] Supergirl back [illegible] Krypton [illegible] Lex Luthor [illegible] abilities [illegible] Linda Danvers [illegible] By merging her life essence with Linda's, [illegible] entirely new being with different abilities, including more limited shape-changing, psychokinetic skills, and increased strength and endurance. In time Linda/Supergirl/Matrix discovered the violent and haunted life Linda had led and sought to redeem her existence. During her encounters with the demon Buzz and other supernatural entities she discovered she was a reborn being known as an Earth Angel, one of three on Earth. After several wild adventures, Linda met up with a Supergirl from yet another parallel time line. This Supergirl was Superman's cousin from Krypton, a more innocent heroine who needed to die in order to keep the fabric of time from fraying. Linda also gave up her angelic duties and left Leesburg hoping to lead a "normal" life.

TWO BECOME ONE Supergirl and Linda Danvers [illegible]



NEW ARRIVAL [illegible] Earth [illegible] Kryptonian [illegible]

KARA ZOR-EL

[illegible] an alteration in [illegible] Kara Zor-El arrived in [illegible] daughter of Clark Kent and Lois Lane [illegible]. She was gradually accepted by Superman and [illegible] plans were undone [illegible] El then vanished. These changes to the [illegible] had unexpected results, such as the arrival [illegible] from Krypton. The asteroid broke up as [illegible] Earth's atmosphere but a spacecraft managed [illegible] the ocean. Within the damaged craft [illegible] Kara Zor-El, from Superman's [illegible]. It was finally agreed that Kara would stay in the U.S. as Superman's [illegible].

KEY STORYLINES

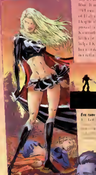
- **SUPERMAN/BATMAN #8–13 (MAY–OCTOBER 2004):** Kara arrives on Earth, adored by Superman, suspected by Batman, trained by the Amazons, and coveted by Darkseid, tyrannical ruler of Apokolips.
- **SUPERMAN: MANY HAPPY RETURNS (2003):** Supergirl meets her pre-Crisis self and realizes she must sacrifice everything to maintain the cosmic balance.
- **SUPERGIRL #1 (3RD SERIES) (FEBRUARY 1996):** Troubled teenager Linda Danvers is rescued by Matrix and becomes an Earth Angel.
- **SUPERGIRL (2ND SERIES) #1–4 (FEBRUARY–MAY 1994):** Matrix learns about life and love as Supergirl under the sway of Lex Luthor's charismatic personality.

WARRIOR TRAINING [illegible]

[illegible]

The [illegible] aled [illegible] Kal-El [illegible] tion [illegible] Super[illegible] until her and [illegible] her parents [illegible] for Kal-El who had [illegible] son along the way [illegible]. With Kal-El now grown to [illegible] foremost hero Kara no longer had [illegible] help. The Dark Knight [illegible] of a superpowered teenager a potential threat to [illegible] and his hostility drove a wedge between him [illegible] and an overprotective Superman. Kara [illegible] training with the Amazons of [illegible] to control her powers. Despite [illegible] Batman's fears proved [illegible] when Darkseid kidnapped Kara [illegible] into becoming the [illegible] Superman helped [illegible] Darkseid's hold [illegible] taking the identity of Supergirl upon [illegible] from Apokolips.

PRISONER OF APOKOLIPS [illegible]



EVIL TWIN [illegible]

RISE OF A HERO

Though [illegible] by the superhuman community Kara harbored doubts about her ability to live up to the name. Her [illegible] identity suffered a [illegible] when Lex Luthor used black [illegible] to split Kara into two individuals, one good and one evil. Supergirl overcame her sinister self and recommitted herself to the fight for truth, battling bravely during the Infinite Crisis.

DOMINATION Supergirl helped the [illegible] Dominator homeworld.

ONCE AND FUTURE HERO

A time warp transported Supergirl one thousand years into the future, where she became a member of the Legion of Super-Heroes. The Legionnaires, who revered the champions of the 21st century, gave Supergirl a place of honor within their organization, even electing her Legion president despite amnesia [illegible]

BACK TO EARTH

After months in the future, Supergirl returned to present-day Metropolis, filling in for a powerless Superman. She also served for a brief stint with the Outsiders and struck up a close friendship with CAPTAIN BOOMERANG II. RG/DW

BOOMER [illegible]

AMAZONS ATTACK

Now living on her own, Supergirl fought alongside Green Lantern Hal Jordan and the Challengers of the Unknown to end the threat of the Dark Lands, and [illegible] the Amazons when Queen HIPPOLYTA's warriors [illegible] Washington D.C., even forcing the crash landing of Air Force One. Most recently Supergirl accepted an invitation to become a member of the Teen Titans.

SUPERMAN

THE MAN OF STEEL

FIRST APPEARANCE ACTION COMICS #1 (June 1938)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Kal-El, Clark Joseph Kent (adoptive name)
OCCUPATION Super hero (as Clark Kent) journalist **BASE** Metropolis
HEIGHT 6ft 3in **WEIGHT** 235 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Black
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Kal-El's powers were latent until his teenage years. His Kryptonian physiology absorbs immense energy from Earth's yellow sun, enabling him to fly at incredible speeds, and endowing him with superstrength; invulnerability (his only weaknesses are green kryptonite radiation and magic); ultra-acute hearing; freezing breath; immense lung capacity and a range of vision including X-ray vision (he can see through anything except lead) and heat vision.

SUPERMAN, THE LAST SON OF KRYPTON, represents the very best in humanity. His native world of Krypton, a giant planet orbiting a dying red sun, was doomed by the radioactive elements at its core and exploded many years ago, but not before scientist Jor-El and his wife Lara rocketed their son to safety, hoping against hope that his spacecraft would find him a new home in the vast reaches of the universe. Their gamble paid off in ways that have enormously benefited humanity.

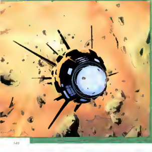
FIRST ISSUE [illegible]

THE SOLE SURVIVOR
Kal-El's ship traveled countless light-years until it crashed in a remote field in Kansas, where it—and its infant cargo—were found by farmers Jonathan and Martha Kent. Raising him as if he was their own son, the Kents named the boy Clark Joseph and watched in amazement as his unique abilities began to manifest themselves. Clark's body was [illegible] and in turn it gave [illegible] and the ability to [illegible] would claim [illegible] "normal" [illegible]

SMALLVILLE DAYS

Kal-El's ship traveled countless light-years until it crashed in a remote field near Smallville, Kansas, where it and its infant cargo were found by farmers Jonathan and Martha Kent. Raising him as their own, the kind-hearted Kents named the boy Clark Joseph and watched in amazement as little by little his unique abilities began to manifest themselves. Clark's body proved to be a veritable solar battery. He absorbed the sun's energy, which gave him incredible strength, invulnerability, heightened senses, and the ability to fly. Fearing that various governments or factions would claim Clark as their own, the Kents encouraged the boy to act as normal as possible and to keep his powers a secret. After graduating from high school, Clark left the little town of Smallville to begin a seven-year exploration of the globe, eager to find some purpose for his amazing abilities as he searched for a suitably heroic role in life.

AFRICAN ADVENTURE *Before Clark Kent made his name in Metropolis, he traveled the world on an eight-year personal journey of discovery. Eager to try out his growing superpowers, he headed for some of the world's troublespots, helping to resolve a bloody intertribal conflict in Africa.*



SUPERMAN'S COSTUME

In time, however, Clark realized that he'd made a mistake by ignoring his alien heritage in favor of his human upbringing. Once he acknowledged that there was a place in this world not only for Clark Kent but for Kal-El, Clark used materials from his spacecraft to create a costume signifying and reflecting his Kryptonian roots—one he could wear openly whenever he wasn't disguising himself as a mild-mannered journalist.

Lifesaver! Superman's first [illegible]

Lois Lane [illegible] fell in love with Lois. She got over her crush on the Man of Steel, realizing what a good catch Clark was. Marriage soon followed.

The Mild-mannered Reporter

Sporting horn-rimmed spectacles and wearing oversized clothes to disguise his physique, Clark Kent came to Metropolis and was interviewed by *Daily Planet* editor Perry White for a reporter post. Clark worked with young photographer Jimmy Olsen and ace reporter Lois Lane. It was she who, [illegible] the Kryptonian's rescue on the [illegible] of the city's amazing flying man, [illegible] called him "Superman." Clark began his dual life as a journalist and crime fighter.

The Beginning of a New Age

Superman's arrival signaled a new era for costumed heroes. As more and more appeared around the world, so did super-powered villains, ranging from the alien BRAINIAC to the crazed TOYMAN. Superman's exploits inspired millions, [illegible] the world was stunned when the [illegible] DOOMSDAY killed him in battle. Fortunately, Superman was returned to life by Kryptonian technology. He has since allowed a handful of heroes — SUPERBOY, SUPERGIRL and STEEL — [illegible]

An Everlasting Inspiration

Superman has had to contend with schemes, [illegible] schemes to discredit him [illegible]. Virtually all of these have been engineered by Lex Luthor, first through his [illegible] and then as U.S. President. Alone and with the JUSTICE LEAGUE OF AMERICA, Superman has fought to [illegible] and justice a reality [illegible] the legacy of Superman [illegible] people to become [illegible] called The Spirit [illegible] Last Son, which sees the Man of Steel [illegible] model for mature, altruistic living. RG

KEY STORYLINES

- **SUPERMAN #75 (JANUARY 1993):** Superman [illegible] fighting Doomsday, an alien genetic experiment designed to be the ultimate killing machine in The Death of Superman!
- **ACTION COMICS #689 (SEPTEMBER 1993):** The Man of Steel returns from the dead.
- **SUPERMAN #171 (AUGUST 2001):** Superman begins a tumultuous defence of Earth and the Universe against the might of Imperiex as the Our Worlds at War storyline commences.
- **SUPERMAN: BIRTHRIGHT #1 (SEPTEMBER 2003):** Superman's origins from his escape from Krypton to him becoming the world renowned Man of Steel is thoroughly redefined and expanded.

BLIND RAGE [illegible] *the Justice League* [illegible] *cold*

LOSS OF CONTROL

Outside forces began to eat away at Superman's legendary self-discipline in the weeks leading up to the Infinite Crisis. The rogue spirit ECLIPSO seized its most powerful host to date by taking command of Superman's body, but CAPTAIN MARVEL helped drive out the vile influence. At around the same time, CHECKMATE kingpin Maxwell Lord (*see* LORD, MAXWELL) used his telepathic powers to override Superman's mental faculties. Using the Man of Steel as his puppet, Lord unleashed chaos within the Justice League of America until WONDER WOMAN snapped Lord's neck.

SUPER-BRAWL [illegible]

INFINITE CRISIS

Despite the rescue, Superman disapproved of Wonder Woman's lethal solution. The incident soured their relationship and helped contribute to the dissolution of the Justice League. But the universe soon needed its heroes more than ever. Alexander Luthor and Superboy-Prime, two survivors of the multiverse who had existed before the Crisis on Infinite Earths, hatched a plot to birth a new multiverse in line with their twisted ambitions. Superman soon found himself face to face with Kal-L, another multiverse exile and the original Superman from the wartime Golden Age. Kal-L believed that restoring his homeworld, Earth-Two, could prevent his Lois Lane from dying. His obsession brought him into conflict with Superman, but the two shared a heroic bond that could not be eclipsed. They soon teamed against Doomsday and [illegible] army of super-villains. In the end, it took the power of two Supermen to end the threat of Superboy-Prime. Superman and Kal-L stripped the powers of their younger doppelganger by flying him through the heart of a red sun. On the surface of the living planet Mogo, the two beat Superboy-Prime into submission, though Kal-L lost his life in the effort.

DOOMSDAY *The power* [illegible] *Superman* [illegible] *unstoppable killer*

AMONG THE [illegible] *Kent* [illegible] *with the 30th century's Legion of Super-Heroes.*

GROUNDED

The trip through the red sun left Superman powerless as well, and for a time it seemed as if he would never regain his abilities. For a year following the Infinite Crisis, Superman lived as a normal human, learning to see the world again through the eyes of Clark Kent. He rededicated himself to his reporting career at the Daily Planet and his marriage to Lois Lane. But just as he grew accustomed to his new lifestyle, Superman found his powers returning—first his ability to leap tall buildings in a single bound, then his invulnerability and flight. The ramp-up in power coincided with increased activity from his rogues gallery, including the Toyman, Metallo, and an all-new Kryptonite Man. Lex Luthor reinstated his position as Superman's arch-enemy when he retrieved a long-buried Kryptonian battleship and made war against Metropolis for choosing Superman as its champion instead of himself. The battle brought the Man of Steel back before a grateful and celebratory public. To mark his return, Superman used a Kryptonian sunstone crystal to grow a new Fortress of Solitude in the Arctic, replacing his most recent (and rarely used) Fortress in the Peruvian rainforest.

METROPOLIS PERIL *Upon regaining his powers, Superman faced fresh threats to his adopted city.*

SAFE HAVEN [illegible]

CHRISTOPHER KENT

In a mirror of the circumstances that had brought Superman to Earth, a pod arrived in Metropolis carrying a Kryptonian boy. Superman befriended the child and rescued him from government custody, convincing officials that the young Kryptonian's needs would be better served by acclimation into Earth society. Clark Kent and Lois Lane became the boy's guardians and named him Christopher Kent. With a red sun radiating wristwatch to keep his powers in check, Christopher tried to fit in among his schoolmates. It soon became apparent that Christopher was the son of Ursa and General Zod, conceived during the criminals' sentence in the Phantom Zone. Christopher helped foil Zod's invasion of Earth after a massive Phantom Zone jailbreak, committing himself to his adoptive parents.

KNEEL BEFORE ZOD *General Zod* [illegible] *Phantom Zone* [illegible]

FURTHER ADVENTURES

Superman's role as humanity's protector came into question when ARION, LORD OF ATLANTIS, traveled to modern-day Metropolis from the year 1659 to bring about Superman's retirement—lest his visions of a planetary apocalypse come true. Despite Arion's claim that humanity had become too dependent on Superman, the Man of Steel chose to remain in his current role.

Superman met his friends in the LEGION OF SUPER-HEROES once more during the Lightning Saga, when the future champions traveled backward through time to bring back Wally West, the third FLASH. BIZARRO proved to be a perennial pain by kidnapping Pa Kent and taking him to a cube-shaped Bizarro World. And Superman found another link to his past in Kristin Wells [illegible] Ul, the third Kryptonian living on Earth (after himself and Supergirl). Superman listened to her tales of ancient Krypton and helped her battle a squad of alien marauders. RG/DW

FELLOW SURVIVOR [illegible] *leader, fleeing from alien bounty hunters* [illegible]

SUPERMAN-PRIME

Superman-Prime, formerly known as Superboy-Prime, is the last survivor of the now-vanished multiverse dimension called Earth-Prime. Together with Alexander Luthor, he initiated the Infinite Crisis, then escaped from a jail cell built by the GUARDIANS OF THE UNIVERSE and became a member of the SINESTRO Corps. Immune to kryptonite and capable of destroying entire planets, Superman-Prime is more powerful than his namesake and one of the most dangerous beings in existence.

UNLIMITED POWER *Superman-Prime has destroyed entire planets in fits of rage*

T. O. MORROW

FIRST APPEARANCE FLASH (1st series) #143 (March 1964)
STATUS Villain **REAL NAME** Thomas Oscar Morrow
OCCUPATION Criminal scientist **BASE** Mobile
HEIGHT 5ft 10in **WEIGHT** 191 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Grey
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Brilliant intellect; possesses technology that can see into or retrieve objects from the future

[illegible] DW

TAKION

FIRST APPEARANCE TAKION #1 (June 1996)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Joshua Sanders
OCCUPATION Leader of the New Gods **BASE** New Genesis
HEIGHT 6ft 2in **WEIGHT** Variable **EYES** Red **HAIR** None
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES A being of limitless power who can manipulate matter and energy in all its forms

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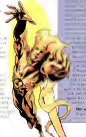

TANGLED HEARTS [illegible]

TALIA

FIRST APPEARANCE DETECTIVE COMICS #411 (May 1971)
STATUS Villain's daughter **REAL NAME** Talia Head **OCCUPATION** Former C.E.O. LexCorp **BASE** Metropolis **HEIGHT** 5ft 8in **WEIGHT** 141 lbs **EYES** Brown **HAIR** Brown **SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES** Beautiful and brilliant, with a ruthless streak and a superb head for business; also trained in the use of modern weaponry and an expert hand-to-hand combatant.

[illegible] RG

NOT MAN ENOUGH [illegible]

TANNARAK

First appearance PHANTOM STRANGER (2nd series) #10 (December 1970) **Status** Villain **Real name** Unknown
Occupation Sorcerer, nightclub owner **Base** The Bewitched nightclub
Height 6ft **Weight** 187 lbs **Eyes** Blue **Hair** Black
Special powers/abilities Immortal and a powerful sorcerer; can project magical force blasts from his hands; master alchemist.

Tannarak is the owner of Bewitched, an interdimensional nightclub in San Francisco catering to Earth's mystic community. The magician born over one hundred years ago became obsessed with his [illegible]ity and vowed to live forever. He [illegible] that stopped his body aging, however [illegible] real souls to maintain his youth. The PHANTOM STRANGER became Tannarak's enemy trying to [illegible] the [illegible] monster drive for immortality. Tannarak became a member of the Dark Circle, an organization of mystics run by the evil sorceress Tala. When Tala summoned the Four Horsemen of the Apocalypse to destroy the world, Tannarak [illegible] the Phantom Stranger to help end her rampage. Tannarak seemed to have perished in the battle but he somehow survived and remains a dark force in Earth's mystical community. PJ

TARPIT

First appearance FLASH (2nd series) #174 (July 2001)
Status Villain **Real name** Joey Monteleone
Occupation Criminal **Base** Keystone City
Height Variable **Weight** Variable
Eyes Yellow **Hair** None
Special powers/abilities Body made of molten asphalt; is nearly invulnerable; can hurl flaming chunks of tar at enemies. Can maintain a [illegible] consciousness in inanimate objects.

Joey Monteleone had no interest in [illegible] namely the drugs made in Keystone City. Arrested on a theft charge, he landed in the Iron Heights penitentiary to serve his sentence. There he learned that he could transfer his consciousness into inanimate objects, and became a vat of hot tar one evening to cause a ruckus at a local [illegible] (who did it cause a ruckus?)

[illegible] fought the sticky lump called Tarpit, but found he could not [illegible] an enemy with no [illegible] body and therefore [illegible] weaknesses. He [illegible] located an [illegible] that dissolved the tar, reducing Tarpit to puddles. [illegible] Monteleone could not [illegible] [illegible] DW

TARANTULA I

First appearance STAR SPANGLED COMICS #1 (October 1941)
Status Hero (deceased) **Real name** Jonathan Law
Occupation Crime novelist **Base** Blüdhaven
Height 5ft 10in **Weight** 180 lbs **Eyes** Blue **Hair** Blond
Special powers/abilities A skilled acrobat and combatant; uses a web-gun that shoots strands of sticky webbing that entraps foes.

A mystery novelist in the late 1930s who became intrigued by the costumed mystery men fighting crime, John Law interviewed Dian Belmont, longtime companion of the first SANDMAN, about her association with the hero. After Belmont gave a sketch of a costume she had designed for the Sandman to Law, he secretly [illegible] a copy of the costume for himself and began fighting crime as the Tarantula, taking his name and weapons from his pet spider.

[illegible] Tarantula's first case was in 1941, when the new crime fighter stopped a Nazi [illegible]. He later became a more public figure after stopping a crime at a Broadway theater. The Tarantula joined the wartime heroes known as the ALL-STAR SQUADRON until they disbanded in 1945. In the 1960s Law wrote a book called *Altered Egos* about the mystery men of the 1940s. Decades later, the [illegible] moved from New York City to Blüdhaven, where he was murdered by BLOCKBUSTER II. PJ

TARANTULA II

First appearance NIGHTWING #71 (September 2002)
Status Anti-hero **Real name** Catalina Maria Flores
Occupation Social worker, vigilante **Base** Blüdhaven
Height 5ft 7in **Weight** 135 lbs **Eyes** Brown **Hair** Black
Special powers/abilities Athlete trained in FBI techniques; arsenal includes web-gun firing grappling lines or adhesives to ensnare foes.

Strong and streetwise, Catalina Flores studied at the FBI Academy in Quantico, Virginia. However, for reasons unrevealed, she left the program and [illegible] her native Blüdhaven. She became a social worker and befriended Jonathan Law, retired mystery novelist and the former masked "Mystery M[illegible]" Tarantula (see TARANTULA I). Catalina stole [illegible] vigilante gear and became a second Tarantula, a cold-blooded vigilante. Catalina sharpened her fighting skills under the tutelage of crime boss Roland Desmond (BLOCKBUSTER II). This association made Tarantula and Blüdhaven's guardian NIGHTWING adversaries, especially after the Tarantula murdered corrupt Blüdhaven Police Chief Francis Redhorn.

When Blockbuster played a part in John Law's death, Tarantula shot him dead. Meanwhile, she and Nightwing began a tempestuous affair. She followed Nightwing to Gotham City, helping Batman [illegible] a bloody gang war. The Dark Knight's influence has encouraged Catalina to rethink her murderous methods and to realign her ambiguous moral compass. SB

TARTARUS

First appearance THE TITANS #6 (August 1999)
Status Villain team **Base** Mobile
Members and abilities
Vandal Savage Immortal conqueror
Gorilla Grodd Telepathic psychopath
Lady Vic International assassin
Cheshire International terrorist
Siren Mesmerizing criminal
Red Panzer III Deadly Nazi sympathizer

Tartarus 1) Siren **2)** Red Panzer III **3)** Vandal Savage **4)** Lady Vic **5)** Cheshire **6)** Gorilla Grodd

VANDAL SAVAGE kidnapped [illegible] (Lilith Clay) and forced her to use her telepathic skills to form the perfect team of adversaries to [illegible] the Titans. She subverted his plan, however, by selecting villains who would never get along enough to become a true threat. Omen recruited GORILLA GRODD, LADY VIC, CHESHIRE, the mesmerizing Siren and RED PANZER III. Savage named the group Tartarus after the [illegible] that housed the TITANS OF MYTH. [illegible] planned to use Tartarus to gain access to the H.I.V.E. Queen, DEATHSTROKE's ex-wife Adeline Kane, in the [illegible] country of Zandia. He hoped to secure a sample of [illegible] blood, which contained special regenerative properties. The Titans learned what was at stake and went to Zandia. There they had to fight not only Tartarus but the H.I.V.E., which [illegible] protect their Queen. During the conflict, Savage mortally [illegible] Kane [illegible] Red Panzer III [illegible] Savage [illegible] followed Justin from [illegible] H.I.V.E. to become [illegible] Panzer. After the [illegible] learned of [illegible] and led the [illegible] to Tartarus's base [illegible] Scotland. The villains [illegible], with Siren [illegible] Tempest. RG

TATTOOED MAN

FIRST APPEARANCE GREEN LANTERN (2nd series) #23 (Sept. 1963)
STATUS Occasional villain **REAL NAME** Abel Tarrant
OCCUPATION Reformed criminal **BASE** New York City
HEIGHT 6ft **WEIGHT** 195 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Brown
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Can manifest his tattoos as physical objects by concentrating on one tattoo at a time

[illegible]

DW

INTERROGATION [illegible]

A STORY IN INK [illegible]

TAWKY TAWNY

FIRST APPEARANCE CAPTAIN MARVEL ADVENTURES #79 (December 1947) **STATUS** Hero **REAL NAME** Tawky Tawny
OCCUPATION Adventurer **BASE** Mobile **HEIGHT** 6ft 2in
WEIGHT 240 lbs **EYES** Yellow **HAIR** Orange, black, white
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Enhanced strength and damage resistance, immunity to most magical weapons, ability to transform into giant-sized battle form

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] CAPTAIN MARVEL JR. DW

TECHNOCRAT

FIRST APPEARANCE OUTSIDERS (2nd series) #1 (Alpha) (November 1993) **STATUS** Hero **REAL NAME** Geoffrey Barron
OCCUPATION Inventor **BASE** Mobile **HEIGHT** 6ft
WEIGHT 185 lbs **EYES** Brown **HAIR** Black streaked with white
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Armored techno-suit enables flight, superstrength, and is outfitted with an arsenal of weapons

[illegible]

SB

TASMANIAN DEVIL

FIRST APPEARANCE SUPER FRIENDS #7 (October 1977)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Hugh Dawkins
OCCUPATION Ex-engineer, drama coach **BASE** Sydney, Australia
HEIGHT 6ft **WEIGHT** 176 lbs **EYES** White **HAIR** Red
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Transforms into a 9ft 4in, 535-pound, werewolf-like creature with superstrength and razor sharp claws

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[illegible]

[illegible]

PJ

TEMPEST

ATLANTEAN MAGE

FIRST APPEARANCE ADVENTURE COMICS #269 (February 1960)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Garth **OCCUPATION** Ambassador, sorcerer
BASE Poseidonis, Atlantis **HEIGHT** 5ft 10in **WEIGHT** 225 lbs
EYES Purple **HAIR** Black **SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES** Amphibious; swims at speeds of 97.76 knots (85 mph); superstrength; high resistance to deep sea pressures; projection of powerful optic force blasts; manipulation of water currents; creation of whirlpools; can boil or freeze water; mystic powers include postcognition, telepathy, dimensional travel, and astral projection; partially colorblind.

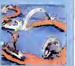
ABANDONED AT BIRTH by [illegible] superstitious Atlanteans, Garth survived alone in the [illegible]ocean depths for years until he was discovered by Aquaman. Adopted by the Sea King, and called Aqualad, Garth was the least powerful member of the Teen Titans, until he realized his potential for wizardry and became the powerful mage Tempest.

UNLUCKY EYES

Garth's heritage [illegible] a group of Atlantean [illegible] established the colony [illegible] the Hidden Valley. When [illegible] King Thar assembled [illegible] brother Zath [illegible] mistakenly believed [illegible] Berra [illegible] gave birth [illegible] Garth. Believing his purple eyes [illegible] seized [illegible] and left him to die [illegible] the sorcerer Atlan, Garth survived and grew up [illegible] Aquaman, who adopted him as his ward. After Aq[illegible] and following formal schooling in Scotland [illegible] member of the Teen Titans. He fell in love with [illegible] died during the Crisis (see Great Battles pp. [illegible]).

[illegible] later Garth's uncle Zath, now the [illegible] part Atlantis. Under the tutelage of Atlan [illegible] Aqualad acquired a host of magical abilities [illegible] powers, and became the mage Tempest [illegible] king of his people. Tempest [illegible] the undersea realms. Soon after [illegible] ambassador Tempest [illegible] Dolphin—who, awkwardly [illegible] the time—and the two were married [illegible] they bore a son whom they named [illegible] In [illegible] War, Tempest used his powers [illegible] protect Atlantis by accidentally [illegible] thousands of years back in time [illegible] Age. Tempest survived [illegible] lost host of Atlantis [illegible] nearly a year [illegible] emerged [illegible] will [illegible] Aquaman [illegible] powers. DW

AQUALAD Garth [illegible] super [illegible] that [illegible] lethal.



TULA [illegible] Crisis.

WEDDING [illegible] Tempest [illegible]

WATER WIZARD [illegible]

KEY STORYLINES

- **TEMPEST #1-4 (NOVEMBER 1997–FEBRUARY 1997):** Aqualad no more! Garth assumes his new name and new identity as Tempest while fighting his villainous uncle with the power of Atlantean sorcery.
- **WONDER WOMAN #175 (OCTOBER 2001):** Tempest joins with Darkseid and Wonder Woman to help save the universe from Imperiex, Destroyer of Worlds, accidentally sending Atlantis back in time.
- **AQUAMAN #63 (JANUARY 2000):** Dolphin gives birth to Tempest's son Cerdian, a child who may become a future Aquaman for a future generation.

PEERS Like Nightwing, [illegible] the label of [illegible] sidekick [illegible] and now [illegible] on an equal footing [illegible] Aquaman.

TEEN TITANS

ADOLESCENT AVENGERS

First appearance (Teen Titans I) BRAVE AND THE BOLD #54 (July 1964); (New Teen Titans) DC COMICS PRESENTS #26 (December 1980); (Teen Titans II) TEEN TITANS (2nd series) #1 (October 1996); (current team) TEEN TITANS (3rd series) #1 (July 2003)
Status Hero team **Base** Titans Tower, San Francisco Bay
Current members and powers
Robin III Team leader, skill martial artist and tactician
Wonder Girl II Superstrength, flight
Kid Devil Enhanced strength, can breathe fire
Ravager Skilled martial artist and assassin, augmented abilities
Miss Martian Super strength, flight, shapeshifting, invisibility, intangibility, telepathy
Supergirl Super strength, super speed, invulnerability, flight, heat vision, X-ray vision

ALMOST A DECADE AGO, teen heroes Robin I (Nightwing), Kid Flash I (Flash III), and Aqualad (Tempest) brought an end to the reign of Mister Twister, a deranged weather-controlling villain. Soon after Wonder Girl I (Troia) and Speedy (Arsenal) joined the three teenagers and the quintet stopped a mind-controlled Justice League of America from committing a crime spree. Calling themselves the Teen Titans, the young sidekicks fought criminals like Doctor Light I and the Antithesis before parting ways for college and to further their budding careers.

It's a Twister! [illegible]

THE NEW TEEN TI[illegible]

Years later Robin, Kid [illegible] Changeling (Beast [illegible] Starfire and Cyborg [illegible] New Teen Titans to th[illegible] Trigon, Raven's father [illegible] invading the Earth. After [illegible] the Titans quickly [illegible] of the villainous forces [illegible] the Terminator, the [illegible] of Sin, and Brother Blood. [illegible] while, the Titans accepted an enigmatic [illegible] girl named Terra into their ranks [illegible] to the Titans. However Terra was a spy for Deathstroke, sent to infiltrate their ranks and learn their secrets. The insane Terra then helped Deathstroke capture the Titans and turn them over to the H.I.V.E. before killing herself. During this time, Kid Flash retired, Robin became Nightwing, and Deathstroke's son Jericho joined the team.

Demon seed [illegible]

Sociopathic spy [illegible] the H.I.V.E.

COMINGS AND GOINGS

When the Anti-Monitor [illegible] (Hawk and Dove) [illegible] during the [illegible] Starfire left the planet [illegible] marriage and the original [illegible] Wonder Girl [illegible] relationship. After [illegible] battle with [illegible] Raven [illegible] and Wonder Girl's transformation into Troia, the Teen Titans took the more adult name the New Titans.

THE TEEN TITANS II

A second group of Teen Titans were gathered [illegible] the evil [illegible] Managed by [illegible] Mister Jupiter and led by [illegible] Atom II, who had been reduced [illegible] Extant, these half human, half alien Titans faced villains like Dark Nemesis and Haze before [illegible]

THE TITANS HUNT

[illegible] whose bodies [illegible] trapped by the [illegible] Wildebeest [illegible] After killing [illegible] Deathstroke [illegible] Extant the [illegible] Cyberion. After [illegible] Titans teamed up to stop an alien invasion and the spread of [illegible]

TITANS REBORN
When Cyborg returned to Earth and [illegible] the planet, the Titans [illegible] saved their former [illegible]. The original Titans, all adults, [illegible] to reform the Titans to train younger heroes. The team stayed together for some time, fighting [illegible] like Cheshire, Deathstroke, and the Hangmen.

The Titans briefly recruited a group of youngsters from an orphanage in the D.E.O. until one [illegible] died. Later, after a rogue [illegible] Robot murdered [illegible] the daughter of Mister Jupiter, this incarnation of the team [illegible].

NEW MEMBERS, OLD ENEMIES
But the [illegible] the Titans re-established [illegible]. The first wave of Teen [illegible] [illegible] Robin [illegible] the new [illegible] stroke [illegible] of his son [illegible] to attack them as did Brother Blood.

Raven's blood [illegible] the half-breed demon [illegible]

CONTINUING THE FIGHT
After the Infinite Crisis, Robin helped assemble a new team including Kid Devil, Ravager and Miss Martian. The team, which has lost both Superboy and Kid Flash, recently spawned an east coast spin-off as well as the birth of their villainous [illegible] the Terror Titans.

THE CURRENT LINEUP 1) [illegible] 2) [illegible] 3) [illegible] 4) [illegible] 5) [illegible] 6) [illegible] 7) Kid Devil 8) [illegible]

KEY STORYLINES
- **Teen Titans (1st series) #53 (February 1978):** The final issue of the series reveals the secret origin of the Teen Titans.
- **New Teen Titans (The Judas Contract TPB) (2003):** The Titans are betrayed by their first recruit, the psychopath Terra.
- **New Teen Titans (2nd series) #1–5 (August 1984–February 1985):** The demon Trigon takes over the planet, and only the Titans can stop him.
- **Teen Titans (3rd series) #1 (July 2003):** The latest incarnation of the Titans is born, based in San Francisco.

TERRA

First appearance NEW TEEN TITANS (1st series) #26 (December 1982) **Status** Hero **Real name** Tara Markov
Occupation Adventurer **Base** San Francisco
Height 5ft 2in **Weight** 112 lbs **Eyes** Blue **Hair** Blonde
Special powers/abilities A powerful geomorph, Terra has complete control over the earth, creating flying islands or moving creatures of soil or stone, generating earthquakes, or calling forth molten lava or mudslides with just a thought.

Like her brother Brion Markov, Geo-Force of the Outsiders, Tara Markov was given powers over the earth by Markovian scientist Dr. Helga Jace. But where Brion was a prince in waiting of their tiny European kingdom, Tara was the monarch's illegitimate daughter and grew up isolated and resentful in the United States. In her teens, Tara forged a pact with Deathstroke the Terminator to destroy the Teen Titans by securing membership as the earth-shaking Terra and spying on the group from within. When her betrayal was revealed, Terra died battling the Titans. Sometime later, a new Terra emerged from an alternate future as one of the time-lost Team Titans. In stark contrast to the sociopath Tara Markov, the second Terra wants nothing more than to use her powers for good. Following a genetic test, Brion Markov learned that this second geomorph is genetically identical to her predecessor, information he has kept from Terra for her own peace of mind. Whether or not she is a clone or twin of Tara Markov remains to be seen. SB

TEZUMAK

First appearance JLA #66 (July 2002)
Status Hero (deceased) **Real name** Tezumak
Occupation Warrior **Base** South America
Height 6ft **Weight** 340 lbs **Eyes** White **Hair** Bronze
Special powers/abilities Wearing bronze armor that had once been oiled with the blood of sacrificed victims gave Tezumak enhanced strength and endurance.

3,000 years ago, a group of people were gathered by the sorceress Gamemnae to help her achieve great power. Tezumak, a South American monk from a pre-Aztec Mesoamerican civilization in Mexico, joined her band of followers and did Gamemnae's bidding. He wore bronze armor honoring the gods who first brought science to the people. Working with Gamemnae pitted him against the Justice League of America, who had been lured back in time in search for the missing Aquaman. When Tezumak learned the full extent of Gamemnae's plans, which involved exterminating the JLA, he revolted, ultimately sacrificing his life to help bring about her defeat. RG

TIN MAN
Tezumak's bronze armor made him almost invulnerable

THAROK

First appearance ADVENTURE COMICS #352 (January 1967), LEGION OF SUPER-HEROES (4th series) #79 (April 1996)
Status Villain **Real name** Tharok **Occupation** Criminal
Base Mobile **Height** 6ft 4in **Weight** 225 lbs **Eyes** Black
Hair None **Special powers/abilities** Brilliant cyborg intelligence; enhanced strength in mechanical limbs; a genius at manipulating others, he always rises to a leadership position.

Once a petty thief on the lawless planet of Zadron, Tharok was only one being among many, and was blown up with much of his body vaporized after a run-in with law officers. In the late 30th century, he was saved from death through extensive cybernetic reconstruction. Tharok became half man, half machine, with a computerized intelligence that transformed him into a criminal mastermind.

When the star-devouring Sun-Eater menaced the United Planets, the Legion of Super-Heroes recruited five criminals to battle the entity in exchange for amnesty. Tharok became a member of this Fatal Five (alongside Validus, the Persuader, Empress, and Mano), which proceeded to set itself against the Legion after the Sun-Eater's defeat. Tharok and his comrades have failed to defeat the Legion several times, but always escape from prison. On his most recent rampage, Tharok and the rest of the Fatal Five lost to Legionnaire Timber Wolf, who was embarking on his first official mission. DW

THIRST, THE

First appearance AQUAMAN (6th series) #5 (June 2003)
Status Villain (destroyed) **Real name** None
Occupation Supernatural destroyer **Base** The Secret Sea
Height Variable **Weight** Variable **Eyes** Red **Hair** None
Special powers/abilities Absorbs life energy, leaving his victims withered husks; possesses mental control over his zombie-like armies; absorbs moisture from all water sources, which gives him power and also affects his physical size.

The Thirst is a golem composed of dry river sand, the mystical "brother" of a being called the Waterbearer, an ancient goddess. The Thirst has preyed on the deities who have watched over the Secret Sea, a metaphysical realm composed of the shared imagination of humanity, for millennia, absorbing their power. When Aquaman became guardian of the Secret Sea, the Thirst set its sights on the hero.

The evil magical parasite battled Aquaman several times, attempting to drain not only the rivers of Earth and the magical waters of the Secret Sea of their life but the Sea King's very essence as well. In their final battle, Aquaman and the Thirst merged into a single monstrous being. When Aquaman stopped fighting the Thirst and surrendered his control to the light of the universe, the evil parasite was consumed by [illegible] and destroyed, seemingly forever. PJ

THOMPKINS, LESLIE, M.D.

First appearance DETECTIVE COMICS #457 (March 1976)
Status Hero **Real name** Dr. Leslie Thompkins
Occupation Physician **Base** Gotham City
Height 5ft 7in **Weight** 130 lbs **Eyes** Blue **Hair** Grey
Special powers/abilities Gifted and compassionate physician considers herself a general practitioner but is also a surgeon of great skill and follows advances in medical science with great interest.

[illegible] sojourn [illegible] Batman [illegible] to the Dark [illegible] ally to the Bat[illegible] attention when [illegible] lady came to [illegible] however their romance has always [illegible] place to [illegible] for Batman's [illegible] crime. SB

ALIEN PROGENY [illegible]

THREE WITCHES, THE

FIRST APPEARANCE THE WITCHING HOUR #1 (December 1970)
STATUS Villains **REAL NAMES** Mildred, Mordred, and Cynthia
OCCUPATION Oracles **BASE** Mobile **HEIGHT** The Witches refuse to be measured **WEIGHT** The Witches refuse to divulge **EYES** Variable **HAIR** Variable **SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES** Supernatural talents from their role as deities; aware of every event on the physical and metaphysical planes

[illegible] DW

TRIPLE TROUBLE [illegible]

THUNDER AND LIGHTNING

FIRST APPEARANCE THE NEW TEEN TITANS (1st series) #32
STATUS Undecided **REAL NAMES** Gan Williams, Travis Williams
OCCUPATION Adventurers **BASE** San Francisco
HEIGHT 6ft 5in, 6ft 4in **WEIGHT** 220 lbs, 215 lbs
EYES (both) Brown **HAIR** (both) Black
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Both share a psychic link; (Thunder) explosive force from hands; (Lightning) electricity bolts from hands, projects energy "surfboards"

[illegible] PJ

THUNDER II

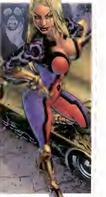
FIRST APPEARANCE POWER OF SHAZAM ANNUAL #1 (1996)
STATUS Undecided **REAL NAME** CeCe Beck
OCCUPATION Assassin **BASE** United Planets
HEIGHT 5ft 6in **WEIGHT** 130 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Blonde
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Strength, stamina, flight, wisdom, and invulnerability derived from gods that lent their powers to Shazam

[illegible] RG

THUNDER III

FIRST APPEARANCE OUTSIDERS (3rd series) #1 (August 2003)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Anissa Pierce **OCCUPATION** Adventurer
BASE Metropolis **HEIGHT** 5ft 7in **WEIGHT** 119 lbs **EYES** Brown
HAIR Black (blonde wig as Thunder III)
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Can control her body's density, making Thunder III invulnerable and heavy enough to make a thunderous and destructive shock wave whenever she stomps her foot

[illegible] SB



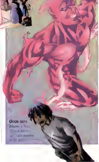
THUNDER, JAKEEM & THUNDERBOLT

FIRST APPEARANCE THE FLASH (2nd series) #134 (February 1998)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Jakeem John Williams
OCCUPATION High school student **BASE** Keystone City
HEIGHT 5ft 4in **WEIGHT** 140 lbs
EYES Brown **HAIR** Black
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Born in the 7th hour on July 7th, Jakeem controls the 5th-dimensional genie Thunderbolt, who is capable of flight and vast feats of magic. Jakeem controls the Thunderbolt with the magic words "So cool."

Jakeem Williams (later Jakeem J. Thunder) was born in Keystone City. [illegible] raised by his aunt [illegible], he grew up with a rebellious streak, alienating his friends and family and getting into trouble at school.

One day, Jakeem asked Jay Garrick, the original Flash, for his autograph and inadvertently grabbed a pen that housed a genie. The genie, a Fifth Dimensional imp named Yz, had at one time been the sidekick of Johnny Thunder (*see* THUNDER, JOHNNY), a member of the JUSTICE SOCIETY OF AMERICA. The genie was trapped in the pen and looking for a new companion.

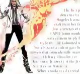
When another Fifth Dimensional imp attacked the Earth, Jakeem was able to summon Yz from the pen and saved the planet. Later, when Johnny Thunder was killed by the ULTRA-HUMANITE, Yz was able to merge with his former mentor's body to form a new Thunderbolt that Jakeem controlled with the words "So cool." Soon after, Jakeem became a part-time member of the JSA. Jakeem finally met his father, Phil, in Michigan, but did not reveal his true identity to him. PJ



GOOD GUYS Jakeem [illegible] Thunderbolt [illegible] newest member [illegible]

THUNDER, JONNI

FIRST APPEARANCE JONNI THUNDER #1 (February 1985)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Jonni Thunder
OCCUPATION Private investigator **BASE** Los Angeles
HEIGHT 5ft 6in **WEIGHT** 130 lbs **EYES** Green **HAIR** Blonde
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Skilled fighter; once possessed the power to act as a living thunderbolt with flight and energy-casting abilities.



The hot-tempered private detective of Los Angeles learned her craft from her father Jim, a veteran of the LAPD. Jonni would have been content to ply her trade the old-fashioned way, but a bizarre accident gave her powers that coincidentally mirrored those of Johnny Thunder (*see* THUNDER, JOHNNY) of the JUSTICE SOCIETY OF AMERICA.

When crooks tried to steal a statue of Apu Illapu, the Incan god of lightning, [illegible] herself filled with energy. She was now able to become a living thunderbolt through an "out-of-body" process while her true form lay unconscious. [illegible] could fly and emit electrical discharges. Her thunderbolt self was often more ruthless than her waking self.

Jonni soon learned that the thunderbolt was an energy-based alien. Freed from the statue, it now wanted to free all its imprisoned brethren, but Jonni and INFINITY INC. stopped the aliens before they could take over the world. She is now cut off from her thunderbolt powers. DW

THUNDER I, JOHNNY

FIRST APPEARANCE ALL-AMERICAN COMICS #100 (August 1948)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** John Stuart Mill Tane
OCCUPATION Gunslinger **BASE** Mesa City
HEIGHT 6ft 2in **WEIGHT** 210 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Blond
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES An expert marksman, fine horseman, and an above-average hand-to-hand combatant.

When a gang of thugs publicly humiliated his father, Sheriff William Tane, schoolmaster John Tane donned a colorful costume, dyed his hair black, and armed himself with a six-shooter. Teaching by day and fighting crime in the Old West by night, John Tane became the first Johnny Thunder soon after he acquired a stallion horse named Black Lightning. Over the next few years Johnny Thunder clashed with foes such as Silk Black and befriended a Cheyenne youth named Swift Deer.

In 1872 Jeanne Walker's father [illegible] at a gold mine by swindlers. Jeanne assumed the secret identity of Madame .44 and began hunting down the men. At first this put her at odds with Johnny. However, Johnny Thunder and Madame .44 eventually became allies during a battle with the outlaw Silk Black. When it was over they fell in love and married. RG

THUNDER II, JOHNNY

FIRST APPEARANCE FLASH COMICS #1 (January 1940)
STATUS Hero (deceased) **REAL NAME**
OCCUPATION Adventurer **BASE** New York City
HEIGHT 5ft 11in **WEIGHT** 225 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Blond
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES No superpowers and an average combatant, usually relying on his Thunderbolt to fight for him. Since merging with the Thunderbolt, Johnny possesses unlimited magical power.

Johnny Thunder was born on the seventh day of the seventh month in a year ending in seven. Realizing that a child born under this numerological sign would wield great power, the Badhnisian High Priest of A[illegible] kidnapped Johnny and placed the mystical Zodiac Belt on him. The High Priest cast a spell that granted Johnny magical powers on his seventh birthday. By uttering "Cei-U" (or "Say You"), Johnny commanded a magical Thunderbolt. A fifth-dimensional sprite, the Thunderbolt had to obey his master for one hour. Johnny and his Thunderbolt served as mascot to the JUSTICE SOCIETY OF AMERICA, and Johnny served in the U.S. Navy in World War II. Johnny was a member of the JSA in the following decades until, suffering from Alzheimer's disease, he passed control of the Thunderbolt to young Jakeem J. Williams (*see* THUNDER, JAKEEM). Johnny took back the Thunderbolt while mind-controlled by the evil ULTRA-HUMANITE, who tried to use him to take over the world. The JSA fought back and Johnny's body was killed; however, the Thunderbolt saved Johnny's soul and merged with it, creating Johnny Thunderbolt, a mix of both old friends and now a mentor and partner to Jakeem. SB

TIGGRA

FIRST APPEARANCE NEW GODS (1st series) #7 (March 1972)
STATUS Undecided (deceased) **REAL NAME** None
OCCUPATION Former consort **BASE** Apokolips
HEIGHT 5ft 9in **WEIGHT** 130 lbs **EYES** Red **HAIR** Reddish-blond
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES A fierce fighter possessing energy-blasting powers; traversed space via Boom Tube.

Tiggra was the second spouse of the dreaded Darkseid and the mother of his son Orion. Moments after Orion's birth, Darkseid seized the infant from Tiggra's arms and presented him to Highfather of New Genesis to seal a pact between their warring worlds. Tiggra was imprisoned cryogenically [illegible] until the adult Orion returned to Apokolips aiming to [illegible] Darkseid. With the help of the [illegible] Himon, Orion freed [illegible] and sheltered her on New Genesis. Tiggra convinced Orion that Darkseid was not his father as part of her plan to see Orion slay Darkseid and rule Apokolips. However, Tiggra [illegible] Apokoliptian Suicide Jockeys and died before she could confess the truth. Tiggra [illegible] when he was lost in the Abyssal Plane but [illegible] merely an animated construct created by the evil Lanros, a monstrous creature of that realm, to torment the Dog of War. SB

TIMBER WOLF

FIRST APPEARANCE LEGION WORLDS #6 (November 2001)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Brin Londo
OCCUPATION Hero **BASE** Rimbor and Earth
HEIGHT 6ft **WEIGHT** 190 lbs **EYES** Brown **HAIR** Brown
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Has above average strength, speed, and agility. The origin of these abilities is unknown.

Brin Londo joined Cosh Hd, Mr Ra, Jo Nah, and Rac in a street gang on the planet Rimbor in the [illegible]. Brin's gang, the [illegible], failed at a gang [illegible], Jo Nah [illegible] (later ULTRA BOY). Some time after Jo gained powers and joined the LEGION OF SUPER-HEROES as Ultra Boy, Brin's life was endangered during a brawl. The Legion's Apparition, looking to find Jo Nah, a[illegible] of her [illegible] intervened, saving his life. Brin repaid her kindness by becoming her protector, starting with preventing bounty hunters from kidnapping her. When half the Legion, including Jo Nah, was seemingly lost in the Second Galaxy, Brin provided friendship to Apparition during her pregnancy. After the team [illegible] reunited, Brin a[illegible] joined [illegible] Apparition and her child Cub [illegible] Earth. Brin was invited [illegible] join the Legion as Timber Wolf. His [illegible] loyalty extends to the [illegible] team. RG

TIME COMMANDER

FIRST APPEARANCE THE BRAVE AND THE BOLD #59 (May 1965)
STATUS Villain **REAL NAME** John Starr
OCCUPATION Criminal **BASE** Mobile
HEIGHT 6ft 2in **WEIGHT** 210 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Brown
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Is able to travel through time using a special hourglass.

The Time Commander started out as [illegible] before turning to crime [illegible] using a time-shifting hourglass [illegible] left serving time behind bars. He escaped prison by traveling back to a point before the prison had been [illegible] then simply walking away. Using his hourglass to uncover the secret identities of BATMAN and GREEN LANTERN, the Time Commander tried to defeat both foes but wound up back in prison. He returned this time [illegible] and jumbled up time to reunite Patrick [illegible] with [illegible] loves until he was stopped by ANIMAL MAN. The Time Commander joined with time themed villains [illegible] CLOCK KING and Calendar Man to form the Time Foes. Assembled by the 2000 Commander, the Time Foes met their end at the hands of several Teen Titans [illegible] Foes from a potential future. DW

TIME MASTERS

FIRST APPEARANCE SHOWCASE #20 (June 1959)
STATUS Hero team (disbanded) **BASE** Upstate New York
MEMBERS AND POWERS
Rip Hunter Time travel expert.
Jeffrey Smith Hunter's research partner and MIT graduate.
Bonnie Baxter Researcher and onetime lover of Rip Hunter.
Corky Baxter (deceased) Teenage rock 'n' roll brother of Bonnie.
Dan Hunter Rip Hunter's cousin and team financier.
Antonio ("Tony") A car thief and computer expert.

Rip Hunter (see HUNTER, RIP) was an inventor who created a time machine. During an experiment, Rip stranded himself and several others in the 25th century in a world recovering from nuclear war. Back in his own time, Rip deduced that an evil organization called the Illuminati would be responsible for this devastating future war. Because Rip's method of time travel could be used only once, he assembled a team, the Time Masters, to travel for him and thwart the Illuminati. He enlisted the aid of Bonnie and Corky Baxter, his cousin Dan, and Tony, a computer expert. When Rip's lab was destroyed by the Illuminati, the team relocated to an underground base belonging to Cave Carson (see CARSON, CAVE), Bonnie's lover.

[illegible] of the Linear Men, Matthew Ryder later brought the Time Masters to the Vanishing Point, a platform from which they could study [illegible] in the space-time continuum. After helping the JUSTICE LEAGUE OF AMERICA defeat [illegible], the Time Masters were erased from existence. PJ

TIME TRAPPER

FIRST APPEARANCE ADVENTURE COMICS #317 (February 1964)
STATUS Villain **REAL NAME** Unknown
OCCUPATION Manipulator of history **BASE** The End of time
HEIGHT Unknown **WEIGHT** Unknown **EYES** Unknown **HAIR** Unknown
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Vast control of the timestream; able to create alternate histories and erase individuals from reality.

The Time Trapper can [illegible] that [illegible] in multiple timelines. Its ability to influence history have affected even the Time Trapper itself, resulting in a number of possible origins that suggest Cronus, Rokk, the [illegible] Glorith, and others [illegible] in the entity at various points [illegible] the shifting timeline. One thing remains constant—the Time Trapper is an enemy of the LEGION OF SUPER-HEROES. The Time Trapper created a pocket [illegible] containing a parallel version of Superboy, and is responsible for the competing incarnations of the Legion [illegible] in different timelines. The Legionnaires managed to destroy the Trapper using the [illegible] Man Mitts. Et eliminated the entity, but it always returns. DW

TITANS OF MYTH

FIRST APPEARANCE THE NEW TEEN TITANS (1st series) #11 (June 1981) **STATUS** Godlike beings **BASE** New Cronus
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES
Cronus & Rhea (Titans of the Earth, both deceased) Controlled earth and vegetation. Parents of Olympian gods.
Hyperion & Thia (Titans of the Sun) Can control and project sunfire, enough to incinerate entire city blocks.
Iapetus & Themis (Titans of Justice) Arbiters of law.
Coeus & Phoebe (Titans of the Moon, Phoebe deceased) Can project nightmare darkness, absorbing all light and heat.
Oceanus & Tethys (Titans of the Seas) Able to control the oceans and all the creatures that live within the seas.
Crius & Mnemosyne (Titans of Memory) Pre- and post-cognitive, as well as possessing the memories of the universe; able to psychically manifest the memories of others.

Spawn of Uranus and Gaea, the twelve Titans of Myth were granted dominion over Earth in the very earliest days of mankind. The paired siblings eventually sired their own children, the OLYMPIAN GODS and goddesses who would eventually inherit the Earth after defeating the Titans. CRONUS was transformed into a gnarled tree, his prison until modern times. The remaining Titans were banished to the farthest reaches of outer space. They settled upon a distant planet, which the Titans named New Cronus in honor of their lost brother.

Many centuries later, the Titans adopted twelve children, each from a different world, [illegible] intended to be an individual "seed" from which a new order of gods would spring. One [illegible] child was Donna Troy (see TROIA), whose [illegible] of her time on New Cronus remained [illegible] until she accompanied her fellow TEEN TITANS to the ancient Titans' home.

Despite their brother Cronus's later-day conflicts with WONDER WOMAN and the Olympian gods, the Titans of Myth are content to remain on New Cronus, far removed from the affairs of humans and their Olympian children. SB

THE TITANS OF MYTH **1)** [illegible] **2)** [illegible] **3)** Thia
4) Hyperion **5)** [illegible] **6)** Phoebe **7)** Rhea **8)** Crius
9) Mnemosyne **10)** [illegible] **11)** Iapetus **12)** Tethys

TNT & DAN THE DYNA-MITE

FIRST APPEARANCE WORLD'S FINEST COMICS #5 (Spring 1942)
STATUS Heroes (TNT is deceased) **REAL NAME** (TNT) Thomas N. Thomas (Dyna-Mite) Daniel Dunbar
OCCUPATION (TNT) High School teacher (Dyna-Mite) High-school student **BASE** New York City
HEIGHT (TNT) 5ft 11in. (Dyna-Mite) 5ft 6.5in. **WEIGHT** (TNT) 175 lbs. (Dyna-Mite) 140 lbs. **EYES** (TNT) Brown (Dyna-Mite) Blue
HAIR (TNT) Brown (Dyna-Mite) Red
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES When infused with atomic energy, both heroes gained immense strength and the ability to hurl energy from their hands.

Schoolteacher Thomas N. Thomas and his student Daniel Dunbar [illegible] in 1942 [illegible] TNT and Dyna-Mite. Both served in the ALL-STAR SQUADRON [illegible] for several months. In April 1945 TNT was killed in Colorado by Gudra the Valkyrie [illegible] AXIS AMERICA. The [illegible] Dyna-Mite was [illegible] by Iron Munro and they [illegible] group of the All-Star Squadron, the YOUNG ALL-STARS. In Bangalla in South America the paths of Iron Munro and Dyna-Mite crossed again as Hugo Danner [illegible] attacked [illegible] unknown until he next [illegible] members of Old Justice [illegible] of the early heroic era who feel today's youth should not be exposed to adult dangers. They took on Young Justice but learned there [illegible] with [illegible] RG

TOMAR-RE

FIRST APPEARANCE GREEN LANTERN (1st series) #6 (June 1961)
STATUS Hero (deceased) **REAL NAME** Tomar-Re
OCCUPATION Former scientist; Green Lantern **BASE** Mobile
HEIGHT 6ft 2in. **WEIGHT** 210 lbs. **EYES** Black **HAIR** Fused feathers
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Flight; Green Lantern ring granted him incredible powers based on his imagination and will power.

Tomar-Re [illegible] the GUARDIANS OF THE UNIVERSE [illegible] GREEN LANTERN. [illegible] Tomar-Re [illegible] planet Krypton [illegible] Tragically Tomar-Re was unable to prevent Krypton's destruction [illegible] the planet exploded. Tomar-Re later became [illegible] Green Lantern Hal Jordan. The two [illegible] members of the GREEN LANTERN CORPS and [illegible] throughout the universe. Tomar-Re retired [illegible] although he was appointed to the [illegible] after years of distinguished service. Tomar-Re was killed during a Guardian mission while trying to save the universe from the Anti-Monitor (see MONITOR). Before he died Tomar-Re passed his ring on to John Stewart. PJ

XUDARIAN HEROES [illegible] by his [illegible]

THE PATRIOT [illegible] the [illegible] of the [illegible] the Founding [illegible] United States.

GANGBUSTER! [illegible] through [illegible] Tomahawk [illegible]

TOMAHAWK

FIRST APPEARANCE STAR SPANGLED COMICS #69 (July 1949)
STATUS Hero (deceased) **REAL NAME** Thomas Hawkins (alias Tom Hawk)
OCCUPATION Frontiersman; freedom fighter **BASE** U.S. circa 1758–1800
HEIGHT 6ft 1in. **WEIGHT** 184 lbs. **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Blonde
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Hunter, tracker, marksman, and combatant.

The [illegible] Revolutionary War [illegible] year [illegible] of the [illegible] his sidekick [illegible] lives as heroes [illegible] American [illegible] war [illegible] broke out in 1775 [illegible] his own General George Washington [illegible] Tomahawk's Rangers to undertake [illegible] included Big Anvil, Kaintuck Jones [illegible] Lord Shilling became Tomahawk's [illegible] by the alias the Hood. [illegible] up in an eastern city as a tax collector [illegible] woman Moon Fawn—and a final clash with [illegible] in his life. Retiring to Echo Valley in the [illegible] with Moon Fawn. Hawk (see HAWK, Son [illegible] farm near the young country's [illegible] recorded, but he is known to have survived [illegible] Tomahawk remained a vital force, famous for [illegible] temper. DW

TOMMY TOMORROW

FIRST APPEARANCE REAL FACT COMICS #6 (January 1947)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Kamandi Blake
OCCUPATION Space Planeteer **BASE** Planeteer HQ, Gotham City
HEIGHT 5ft 11in **WEIGHT** 179 lbs
EYES Blue **HAIR** Blond
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Owing to Planeteer training, in peak physical shape; highly intelligent; carries a personalized ray gun and travels by Planeteer spacecraft.

[illegible] Tomorrow [illegible] OMAC will [illegible] design and [illegible] the death of his [illegible] by General [illegible] of the Space Planeteers. [illegible] name of the late [illegible] will be renamed [illegible] Tomorrow [illegible] his [illegible] officer. Following [illegible] from Spaceport [illegible] Tomorrow will team [illegible] Wood. Together they [illegible] will enjoy many [illegible] they bring law and [illegible] worlds in the process of exploiting the far reaches of space in the good ship Space Ace, as narrated by Tommy Tomorrow himself. Eventually Tommy will attain the rank of colonel and be renowned as the greatest Planeteer ever to patrol the spaceways. Tommy Tomorrow's ultimate fate will be a mystery, though some speculate that he, or perhaps one of his descendants, will become the STARMAN of a future era, carrying on the heroic legacy begun on Earth by the gravity rod wielding Ted Knight (a.k.a. Starman I). **SB**

FREAKY FUTURE *Making [illegible] look [illegible] day's [illegible]*

QUICK ON THE DRAW *With his trusty ray gun in his hand, Tommy is ready to [illegible]*

TOR, MAGIC MASTER

FIRST APPEARANCE CRACK COMICS #10 (October 1940)
STATUS Hero (deceased) **REAL NAME** Jimmy Slade
OCCUPATION Press photographer **BASE** Mobile
HEIGHT 5ft 10in **WEIGHT** 165 lbs **EYES** Brown **HAIR** Black
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Minor magician capable of creating spells of limited intensity, including levitation; usually spoke his spells backwards to focus his power.

Jimmy Slade was a photographer working for a major newspaper in 1941 who, inspired by the heroes of the Golden Age JUSTICE SOCIETY OF AMERICA, chose to create a costumed identity for himself to fight crime. Able to cast low-level spells, Slade wore makeup and a fake moustache and created the identity of Tor the Magic Master. Like ZATARA the Magician and his daughter ZATANNA, Tor spoke his spells backwards.

Tor the Magic Master fought criminals and Axis spies throughout World War II. [illegible] became a successful photojournalist, taking [illegible] photographs of the war. In 1945 Tor was [illegible] several heroes with magical powers, including Zatara, DOCTOR OCCULT, SARGON THE SORCERER and Merlin, who joined forces to fight the threat of the STALKER, an evil entity that threatened the Earth. Despite the JSA's intervention, Tor and Merlin were killed by the Stalker. **PJ**

TOMORROW WOMAN

FIRST APPEARANCE JLA #5 (May 1997)
STATUS Villain (destroyed) **REAL NAME** None
OCCUPATION Would-be assassin **BASE** JLA Watchtower
HEIGHT 5ft 11in **WEIGHT** 320 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Black
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Tomorrow Woman's robotic powers were telekinetic and telepathic in nature.

The [illegible] JLA Moon[illegible] heroic [illegible] the [illegible] America [illegible] built [illegible] named her Tomorrow Woman. As per her programming, she played the heroine to perfection. Invited to join the JLA, she was soon [illegible] in the JLA's Watchtower. Morrow and Ivo hoped their "Trojan horse" would wreak havoc among the [illegible] heroes. However, [illegible] Tomorrow Woman developed her own [illegible] their orders [illegible] that render the JLA [illegible] in the Castle of Heroes. **RG**

TOP

FIRST APPEARANCE FLASH (1st series) #122 (August 1961)
STATUS Villain **REAL NAME** Roscoe Dillon
OCCUPATION Criminal **BASE** Central City/Keystone City
HEIGHT 6ft **WEIGHT** 179 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Brown
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Can spin himself at incredible speeds and induce vertigo in his victims.

Fascinated by tops, gyroscopes and all spinning things, crook Roscoe Dillon became the costumed criminal the Top in order to dominate crime in Central City. His ability to spin at great speeds made him a recurring foe of the second FLASH, Barry Allen, and a member of the Flash's Rogues Gallery. He struck up a romance with CAPTAIN COLD's sister Lisa Snart (the GOLDEN GLIDER) but eventually learned that the Flash's superspeed vibrations had overheated the cells in his brain.

The Top died but his spirit lived on. He possessed Barry Allen's father and years later he took over the body of slain senator Thomas O'Neill. The third Flash, Wally West, uncovered the Top's deception before O'Neill could be elected vice president. Imprisoned in Iron Heights, the Top recently escaped and tried to murder the Keystone City mayor. Now exhibiting the power to scramble the way his opponents' eyes interpret images (triggering gut-churning nausea), the Top was defeated by Wally West. **DW**

TORQUE

FIRST APPEARANCE NIGHTWING #1 (October 1996)
STATUS Villain (deceased) **REAL NAME** Dudley Soames
OCCUPATION Former police inspector; criminal **BASE** Blüdhaven
HEIGHT 6ft 1in **WEIGHT** 186 lbs **EYES** Hazel **HAIR** Brown (graying)
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Favored a vintage Thompson .45 caliber machine gun (the "Tommy Gun"). Mirrored glasses helped his aim.

Inspector Dudley Soames was Blüdhaven's crookedest cop. He fed information on mobster Roland Desmond (BLOCKBUSTER II) to Blüdhaven's self-appointed guardian, NIGHTWING, while at the same time acting as one of Desmond's mob lieutenants. Blockbuster broke Soames's neck when he discovered the truth, twisting Soames's head and neck a full 180 degrees. Radical drug therapy initiated by Dr. Sandra Pavaar saved Soames's life. He learned to walk again with the help of mirrored glasses and dubbed himself Torque. In short order, Torque strangled Pavaar and sought revenge on Blockbuster, Nightwing, and [illegible] of his [illegible]. Torque [illegible] palindromic [illegible] on the corpses of his victims before Nightwing captured him and he was remanded to [illegible] Penitentiary. After months in jail, Torque enlisted Tad Ryerstad, the vigilante Nite-Wing, to help him escape. Soames planned to kill Ryerstad as soon as they were free, but was double-crossed and murdered by Ryerstad instead. **SB**

TOYMAN

FIRST APPEARANCE ACTION COMICS #64 (September 1943)
STATUS Villain **REAL NAME** Winslow P. Schott
OCCUPATION Professional criminal **BASE** Metropolis
HEIGHT 5ft 4in **WEIGHT** 155 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Brown
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Although psychotic, Schott is a skilled inventor and mechanical engineer.

Winslow P. Schott [illegible] that toy [illegible] boy made the [illegible] Winslow and may [illegible] rob others. When his [illegible] the most amazing toys th[illegible] widespread acclaim. H[illegible] Schott's toy company [illegible] the revenge against Lex[illegible] Luthor (Lex) Schott's [illegible] with various lethal toys [illegible] with Intergang and a [illegible] Toyman. His worst act was to murder [illegible] television chat-show host and [illegible] Cat Grant. However in the main, Schott [illegible] soft spot for children, especially those in need. Clearly insane, the Toyman was one of Superman's most unpredictable and therefore deadliest opponents. The Toyman name has also been applied to Hiro Okamura, 13-year-old mechanical genius, who [illegible] developed the alloy [illegible] which helped save the planet from the Kryptonian [illegible] that brought Superman to Earth. RG

TOYMAN [illegible]

TRACI 13

FIRST APPEARANCE SUPERMAN (2nd series) #189 (December 2002)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Traci (last name unrevealed)
OCCUPATION Adventurer **BASE** Metropolis **HEIGHT** 5ft 5in
WEIGHT 127 lbs **EYES** Sometimes black, sometimes purple
HAIR Black and purple **SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES** Urban sorceress with magical powers linked to her proximity to cities; her magic is manifested as purple panes of stained glass.

[illegible] Doctor Thirteen [illegible] breaker [illegible] daughter.

Along with her magical [illegible] an iguana named [illegible] moved to Metropolis and allied [illegible] with Natasha Irons [illegible] Natasha] the [illegible] John Henry [illegible] Steel III. PJ

TREVOR, STEVE

FIRST APPEARANCE ALL STAR COMICS #8 (Winter 1941)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Steven Rockwell Trevor
OCCUPATION Retired U.S. Air Force colonel **BASE** Mobile
HEIGHT 6ft 1in **WEIGHT** 195 lbs
EYES Blue **HAIR** Blonde with white
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Expert pilot and military commander

[illegible] of Wonder Woman's oldest [illegible] Steve Trevor inherited his [illegible] background from his father [illegible] Steven Trevor, and [illegible] connection with the Amazons [illegible] who sacrificed [illegible] Paradise Island [illegible] As a pilot in the U.S. Air Force, Steve Trevor [illegible] Wonder Woman [illegible] eventually [illegible] Paradise Island incident [illegible] started work [illegible] Wonder Woman [illegible] and Steve regards [illegible] Trevor still plays an important [illegible] recently helping the Amazons [illegible] DW

TRIAD

FIRST APPEARANCE LEGION OF SUPER-HEROES (4th series) #0
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Luornu Durgo
OCCUPATION Legionnaire **BASE** Legion World, U.P. Space
HEIGHT 5ft 7in **WEIGHT** 136 lbs **EYES** (right) orange, (left) violet **HAIR** Auburn **SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES** Triad can split into three different bodies, each with three different personalities – flirtatious, shy, and intellectual.

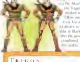
[illegible]

TRIGGER TWINS

FIRST APPEARANCE ALL STAR WESTERN #58 (May 1951)
STATUS Heroes (deceased) **REAL NAMES** Walter and Wayne Trigger
OCCUPATION Sheriff **BASE** Rocky City
HEIGHT (both) 6ft **WEIGHT** (both) 160 lbs
EYES (both) Blue **HAIR** (both) Reddish blond
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Skilled marksmen and horsemen; more than capable hand-to-hand combatants.

The original Trigger Twins, Walt and Wayne Trigger, kept law and order in Rocky City during the 1870s. Walt [illegible] greatly exaggerated) Civil War exploits earned him the position of Rocky City's sheriff. Wayne, who had been the true hero in many of Walt's tales, agreed to assume the identity of sheriff whenever danger threatened the town. The Trigger Twins became a legend of the Old West.

The modern-day Trigger Twins, Tom and Tad Trigger, are believed to be descendants of the original western heroes. They wear cowboy clothing, but unlike Walt and Wayne, the current Trigger Twins are criminals. They have battled most of Gotham's defenders, including Robin, and are [illegible] Blackgate prison [illegible] until one year [illegible] No Man's Land [illegible] the Trigger Twins worked with [illegible] fellow inmates [illegible] Lock-Up and the [illegible] to keep order at Blackgate after the guards abandoned [illegible] facility. DW



TRICKSTER II

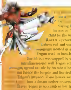
FIRST APPEARANCE THE FLASH (2nd series) #183 (April 2002)
STATUS Villain **REAL NAME** Axel Walker
OCCUPATION Professional criminal **BASE** Keystone City
HEIGHT 5ft 7in **WEIGHT** 150 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Brown
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES A variety of technological gadgets allow him to cause mayhem; he is still mastering the [illegible] use and has no great athletic skill.

[illegible]

NEW KID ON THE BLOCK [illegible]

TRIGON

FIRST APPEARANCE NEW TEEN TITANS (1st series) #44 (February 1981)
STATUS Villain **REAL NAME** Trigon; also known in other dimensions as Skath and Dikrez
OCCUPATION Demon lord, conqueror **BASE** Another dimensional plane
HEIGHT Variable **WEIGHT** Variable **EYES** Red **HAIR** Red
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Nearly immeasurable demonic powers; has drained the souls of millions of worlds and reshaped planets; can change size, fire destructive energy blasts, teleport, control demons, and transmute elements, such as stone into water.



[illegible] was a [illegible] destroyed [illegible] by the age of six. Slaying billions of souls in his own [illegible] on Trigon eventually sired a child by the woman Arella. Their child was Raven, a powerful mystic, who rejected her father's evil and was raised in Azarath, a pacifist community nestled in another dimension.

Trigon tried to breach the barriers between his dimension and Earth's but was stopped by sorcerers from Azarath. Finally tearing through the interdimensional wall, Trigon attacked Earth. Horrified, his daughter Raven, now a teenager, agreed to rule by his side if he spared the planet. But Raven realized her father would not honor the bargain and hurried to Earth, gathering a group of teenage heroes [illegible] Trigon's invasion. These heroes were the NEW TEEN TITANS, and together they [illegible] into a distant nether universe that Arella agreed to guard for eternity. As an adult, Raven began to succumb to her father's evil. Trigon murdered a billion beings [illegible] and stole their energy. He once again invaded Earth's dimension, turning Earth [illegible]. But the Titans were able to help the souls of Azarath channel all their power [illegible] seemingly destroying the demon [illegible] of her father's evil. Raven's body was nonetheless taken over by the soul of [illegible]. However, her soul was [illegible] in Starfire's body, and the Titans were able [illegible] PJ

BACK FROM THE DEAD The demon [illegible] becomes the Earth [illegible]

TRIUMPH

FIRST APPEARANCE JUSTICE LEAGUE EUROPE #67 (August 1994)
STATUS Villain (deceased) **REAL NAME** William MacIntyre
OCCUPATION Adventurer **BASE** JLA Watchtower, the Moon
HEIGHT 6ft 1in **WEIGHT** 200 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Blond
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Possessed enhanced strength, speed, endurance and the ability to fly

Eighteen-year-old William MacIntyre [illegible] at his father [illegible] [illegible] for an evil [illegible] [illegible] When [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] father [illegible]

When [illegible] Earth, MacIntyre [illegible] Triumph [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] AMERICA [illegible] JLA [illegible] [illegible] Watchtower [illegible] LKZ [illegible] JLA [illegible] and QWSP [illegible] RG

TSUNAMI

FIRST APPEARANCE ALL STAR SQUADRON #33 (May 1984)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Miya Shimada
OCCUPATION Warrior **BASE** San Francisco
HEIGHT 5ft 6in **WEIGHT** 131 lbs **EYES** Brown **HAIR** Black
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Psionically creates sea waves; able to swim at superspeed and breathe underwater

[illegible] World War [illegible] Miya Shimada [illegible] Japan [illegible] America [illegible] [illegible]

[illegible] World War II [illegible] [illegible] Deep Blue [illegible] making waves [illegible] SB

TWILIGHT

FIRST APPEARANCE SUPERGIRL (3rd series) #15 (November 1997)
STATUS Undecided **REAL NAME** Molly (last name unrevealed)
OCCUPATION Angel; former destroyer **BASE** Mobile
HEIGHT 5ft 7in **WEIGHT** 135 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** White
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Can resurrect the dead; possesses wings of fire and devastating flame vision

During the Black Death [illegible] Molly [illegible] found the [illegible] After [illegible] her power Molly [illegible] [illegible] Molly [illegible]

[illegible] Molly [illegible] Twilight [illegible] Supergirl [illegible] Twilight [illegible] Supergirl Twilight [illegible] Angel [illegible] PJ

TROY

FIRST APPEARANCE THE BRAVE AND THE BOLD #60 (July 1965)
STATUS Hero (presumed deceased) **REAL NAME** Donna Hinkley Stacey Troy **HEIGHT** 5ft 9in **WEIGHT** 143 lbs **EYES** Blue
HAIR Black **OCCUPATION** Photographer **BASE** New York City
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Super-strength, superspeed, flight; truth-sensing ability; her psychic link to Wonder Woman; trained warrior respected and admired by everyone she worked with

CHANGING STYLES [illegible]

A HERO'S DEATH [illegible]

MAGALA [illegible] Magala [illegible] Princess Diana [illegible] reflection [illegible] young Donna [illegible]

Donna Troy was originally a magically created playmate and "sister" for the young Princess Diana, later the champion of the AMAZONS of Themyscira known as WONDER WOMAN. An identical twin created with a fraction [illegible] kidnapped by the villainous Dark Angel [illegible] [illegible] believed [illegible] supposed Diana [illegible] [illegible] ending in tragedy and pain.

[illegible] most recent life began in the body [illegible] saved from a burning building by Rhea [illegible] [illegible] grew up on New Cronus, where she [illegible] [illegible] the universe, and named her Troy. [illegible] [illegible] inspired by HIPPOLYTA, the Wonder Woman of World War II, and founded [illegible] Teen Titans with Robin (see NIGHTWING), Kid Flash (see Wally West, FLASH III), Aqualad (see TEMPEST) and Speedy (see ARSENAL).

[illegible] Donna assumed the codename Troy [illegible] [illegible] with the Titans of Myth. She married [illegible] Terry Long, had a son, Robert, [illegible] became a member of the DARKSTARS. [illegible] Terry and Robert were killed in a car accident. Dark Angel arrived to [illegible] another tragic life. But Wonder Woman and the Flash defeated Dark Angel. Donna [illegible] seemed to perish battling a malfunctioning Superman [illegible] DW

SOUL SISTER [illegible]

TWO-FACE

FIRST APPEARANCE DETECTIVE COMICS #66 (August 1942)
STATUS Villain **REAL NAME** Harvey Dent
OCCUPATION Former D.A., professional criminal **BASE** Gotham City
HEIGHT 6ft **WEIGHT** 182 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Brown
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES A criminal genius whose crimes reveal an obsession with duality and the number two. An average combatant, but capable of savage violence.

THE DARK SIDE [illegible] D.A. Harvey Dent [illegible]

HARVEY DENT IS A MAN [illegible] This duality [illegible] Once Batman [illegible] when he and a [illegible] Vincent Maroni [illegible] acid at the D.A. [illegible]

THE DARK SIDE

[illegible] so did the [illegible] Dent [illegible] It became the [illegible] for [illegible] Two-Face, whose every act would be decided by the [illegible] If the unmarked side came up, he would show mercy [illegible] scarred side came up he would do evil. Dent abandoned his [illegible] Doctor [illegible] Harvey Dent [illegible]

DEFINING MOMENT [illegible]

[illegible] Gotham [illegible] Mar [illegible] Two-Face [illegible] Gotham [illegible]

[illegible]

FICKLE FATE [illegible]

KEY STORYLINES

- ***BATMAN: FACES* (1995):** An examination into the tortured, often violent relationship between Batman, Two-Face, and Commissioner Gordon
- ***BATMAN ANNUAL #14* (1990):** A look at how difficult it is for Two-Face to function, whose face never fits in either the normal world or Gotham City's underworld
- ***SECRET ORIGINS SPECIAL* (1989):** A deep look at how Harvey Dent changed from successful District Attorney to psychopathic madman

UBERMENSCH

FIRST APPEARANCE YOUNG ALL STARS #1 (June 1987)
STATUS Villain (deceased) **REAL NAME** Unknown
OCCUPATION Nazi hero **BASE** Mobile
HEIGHT 6ft 3in **WEIGHT** 225 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** None
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Ubermensch was capable of leaping tall buildings in a single bound but squandered his enhanced gifts in the service of evil; possessed superstrength and superspeed; his skin was invulnerable to bullets.

UBERMENSCH UBER ALLES! *Hitler's [illegible] America the Third Reich's favorite team of super-villains [illegible] bully boys.*

Ubermensch was the epitome of Adolf Hitler's ideal of racial purity selected by Nazi scientists to undergo painful treatments that transformed him into the ultimate Aryan super hero. He possessed incredible strength and speed, and his skin was tough enough to shrug off the bullets of small-arms fire.

[illegible]

ULTRA BOY

FIRST APPEARANCE SUPERBOY #98 (July 1962)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Jo Nah
OCCUPATION Legionnaire **BASE** 30th century Earth
HEIGHT 5ft 8in **WEIGHT** 155 lbs **EYES** Brown **HAIR** Brown
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Vast superstrength, speed, invulnerability, flight and vision powers, but can only use one power at a time.

Multiple versions of Ultra Boy exist in different timelines, but in nearly all of them he is Jo Nah of the planet Rimbor. Jo was on a scavenging mission in outer space when a giant space creature swallowed his ship. By eating some of the creature's flesh, Jo gained various superpowers. He used these to escape. Rimbor and joined Leland McCauley's Workforce as Ultra Boy. Ultra Boy later joined the Legion of Super-Heroes, the 30th century's premier super-team, and fell in love with Phantom Girl/Apparition. He eventually married her when the two were trapped in the past. After the Blight attacked the Earth, Ultra Boy was hurled into another dimension. Although he managed to return to his wife, their marriage was on shaky ground. Their son, Cub Wazzo Nah, appears to have inherited extra-human powers from both his parents, although the extent of his abilities has yet to be revealed. PJ

ULTRA, THE MULTI-ALIEN

FIRST APPEARANCE MYSTERY IN SPACE #103 (November 1965)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Ace Arn
OCCUPATION Adventurer **BASE** Mobile
HEIGHT 5ft 10in (as Arn); 6ft 2in (as Ultra) **WEIGHT** 157 lbs (as Arn); 163 lbs (as Ultra) **EYES** Blue (as Arn); Black (as Ultra)
HAIR Brown (as Arn); Half bald, half green, later half bald, half white (as Ultra)
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Each quarter of Arn's body possesses a unique property such as magnetism, increased strength, cohesive energy and the power of flight.

In the late 21st century, Captain Ace Arn's spacecraft accidentally crashed into an asteroid in another solar system. This turned out to be the secret hideout of interstellar criminal Zobra. Arn learned the four-planet solar system was artificially created with one member from each race—Ulla, Lamo, Trago, and Raaga—serving Zobra. Zobra accidentally killed himself with a poisonous gas and a free-for-all began among his underlings. When they arrived at the asteroid and found Arn there, they all fired their unique disintegration weapons simultaneously. As a result, Arn was transformed into a four-segmented composite alien, representing each alien race. Granted phenomenal new powers, Arn subdued the aliens, repaired his craft, and returned to Earth. He gave up piloting [illegible] haunted by regret [illegible] RG

ULTRA-HUMANITE

FIRST APPEARANCE ACTION COMICS #13 (June 1939)
STATUS Villain (deceased) **REAL NAME** Unknown
OCCUPATION Criminal scientist **BASE** Mobile
HEIGHT Varied **WEIGHT** Varied **EYES** Varied **HAIR** Varied
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES A brilliant inventor, the Ultra-Humanite's greatest achievement was the process he devised to transplant his brain into different bodies, human or otherwise.

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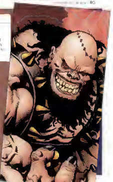


UNCLE SAM

FIRST APPEARANCE NATIONAL COMICS #1 (July 1940) **STATUS** Hero **REAL NAME** Unknown **OCCUPATION** Patriotic spirit **BASE** The United States **HEIGHT** 6ft 3in **WEIGHT** 210 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** White **SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES** Superstrength; invulnerability; can change size; powers are proportionate to the country's faith in the ideals of freedom and liberty.

[illegible] after the [illegible] President Franklin Pra klin and other [illegible] [illegible] to create the American [illegible] would embody the very ideals of the U.S. [illegible] by magically binding [illegible] [illegible]. During World War II, the spirit linked itself to a [illegible] Samuel and became the star-spangled superpatriot Uncle Sam.

Uncle Sam joined the ALL-STAR SQUADRON and later formed an auxiliary unit called the FREEDOM FIGHTERS. After World War II, the American talisman was destroyed and Uncle Sam's energies waned. An evil group called the National Interest tried to recreate the shattered Talisman but the SPECTRE defeated the Interest as well as the [illegible] Scream, the insane personification of American [illegible]. The Talisman was reassembled and Uncle Sam [illegible] the Patriot, defending the U.S., most notably during the Imperiex War (see Great Battles, pp. 36[illegible]). The spirit then reclaimed the title Uncle Sam.

During the Infinite Crisis the Freedom Fighters [illegible] fight with the members of the [illegible] Society (see VILLAINS UNITED) [illegible] killed. Uncle Sam returned to [illegible] Father Time and his [illegible] agents by uniting a new [illegible] Fighters under his banner [illegible] is largely made up [illegible] on old legacies including FIREBRAND, DOLL MAN, the HUMAN BOMB, PHANTOM LADY and the RED BEE. PJ

OUT OF ACTION [illegible] [illegible] Statue of Liberty.

FOR FREEDOM [illegible] [illegible] group of Freedom Fighters [illegible] Father Time [illegible] S.H.A.D.E.

INSPIRATION During the [illegible] Crisis [illegible] led members [illegible] the JLA and the [illegible] Titans [illegible] against the [illegible] Monitor.

UNKNOWN SOLDIER

FIRST APPEARANCE STAR SPANGLED WAR STORIES #151 (July 1970) **STATUS** Hero **REAL NAME** Unrevealed **OCCUPATION** Secret agent **BASE** Washington, D.C. **HEIGHT** 5ft 9in **WEIGHT** 155 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Blond **SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES** Weapons and explosives expert; expert combatant; master of disguise and impersonation.

[illegible] who [illegible] with [illegible] a new. SB

GREAT BATTLES

Why are there super heroes? Perhaps the cosmic presence that governs the universe created so many meta-humans in the 20th century in preparation for the creation-shaking threats soon to follow. Without the JLA, the JSA, and other champions of freedom, the Earth and all of reality would long since have ceased to exist!

THE APPELLAXIAN CONTEST

Seven champions came from a distant star to slug it out on an Earth battlefield and determine which of the seven was fit to rule the Appellaxian empire. Assuming "battle forms" of glass, fire, rock, mercury, wood, ice, and a giant golden bird, the seven met swift defeat thanks to the embryonic **JUSTICE LEAGUE OF AMERICA**—**AQUAMAN**, **GREEN LANTERN**, **the FLASH**, **MARTIAN MANHUNTER**, and **BLACK CANARY**. An eighth Appellaxian went unnoticed. He called seven thousand of his planet's top shock troops for a full-scale alien invasion.

GIANT STEPS *All of Earth's heroes united to defeat the Appellaxian horde, ultimately sending them back to their own planet through a mystical wormhole. The conflict is still remembered as the JLA's baptism of fire.*

THE IMPERIEX WAR

The cosmic tyrant **IMPERIEX** hungered to reignite the universe in a new Big Bang, wiping out all that had gone before. **SUPERMAN** led a galaxy-wide coalition of champions to oppose his cataclysmic scheming. The Imperiex War—a period sometimes referred to as "Our Worlds at War"—was inevitable if the universe was to be saved. Earth's defenders included an unlikely alliance of **DARKSEID** and U.S. President Lex Luthor (see **LUTHOR, LEX**), whose combined forces provided the necessary edge when the computerized monster **BRAINIAC 13** entered the fight on the side of evil. Among the war's many casualties were most of the population of Topeka, Kansas as well as **HIPPOLYTA**—Princess Diana's mother and the Golden Age **WONDER WOMAN**.

DESTROYED BY FIRE *Topeka is set ablaze during the Imperiex War.*

HAVEN *Orbiting 'Paradise' sheltered those wounded in the shocking conflict, including some of the greatest heroes the Earth has ever seen.*

THE MAGEDDON WAR

[illegible] World War III. When [illegible] Mageddon lapped its moor[illegible] [illegible] aggressive [illegible] the leader [illegible] nations while Wonder Woman spearheaded an effort [illegible] ordinary citizens [illegible] temporary super he[illegible] [illegible] and Super[illegible] [illegible] the Mageddon [illegible]

LOSS [illegible]

THE CRISIS ON INFINITE EARTHS

The most significant event ever to shake the universe is the one that almost no one can remember. In an earlier reality, creation was ordered into a "multiverse" with multiple parallel Earths—an Earth-2 for the Justice Society and an Earth-S for the **CAPTAIN MARVEL** family, alongside an infinite number of others. The omnipotent Anti-Monitor began destroying all parallel universes, and his heroic mirror-image the **MONITOR** gathered heroes from all realities and timeframes to fight him.

In order to save what was left, the Monitor merged five Earth-histories into one and the universe was reborn as if it had always been that way. Thus, while modern heroes remember a battle called the Crisis, they have no memory of a multiverse. Some heroes who died in the Crisis (such as the Barry Allen Flash) still perished in the rebooted version of the event, while others (such as the pre-Crisis version of Supergirl) had their deaths—and entire histories—retroactively wiped from existence. Among the characters who can remember bits of pre-Crisis reality are the Psycho Pirate, the **LINEAR MEN**, and presumably some of God's agents, such as the **PHANTOM STRANGER** and the **SPECTRE**.

ZERO HOUR

Essentially a Crisis aftershock, the history-altering Zero Hour united the villainous **EXTANT** with the delusional hero **PARALLAX**, who wanted to remake the universe and remove all pain and loss. A team of super heroes followed Parallax back to the dawn of time and prevented his larger plan, though reality was still reborn in a slightly modified form. Zero Hour's biggest effects were felt in the 30th century, where the history of the **LEGION OF SUPER-HEROES** experienced a complete restart. DW

VALDA

FIRST APPEARANCE ARAK, SON OF THUNDER #3 (November 1981)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Valda
OCCUPATION Knight **BASE** Aix la Chapelle, Frankland
HEIGHT 5ft 6in **WEIGHT** 130 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Brown
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Valda was quick-witted and courageous, and an expert hand-to-hand combatant and swordsman.

Nicknamed the Iron Maiden of Europe, Valda was the daughter of Bradamante, the legendary female knight. When her mother did not return alive from the ambush at the pass of Roncesvalles in the Pyrenees mountains in 778, when part of King Charlemagne's army was destroyed by the Basques, Valda was raised by the Charlemagne's [illegible] sorcerer Malagigi.

The young woman used a spell [illegible] learned from Malagigi to summon [illegible] the spirit of Awaldis of Gaul, a [illegible] warrior, and the ghost tutored her as a warrior into Valda's adulthood.

Charlemagne was so impressed with Valda's talents and bravery that he eventually [illegible]. Soon after Valda came under the [illegible] of the sorcerer Balyfor and was freed by ARAK, SON OF THUNDER. Arak and Valda became lovers, adventuring throughout Europe until the end of their lives, which remain unchronicled. PJ

VALE, VICKI

FIRST APPEARANCE BATMAN #49 (October 1950)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Victoria "Vicki" Vale
OCCUPATION Talk show host **BASE** Gotham City
HEIGHT 5ft 6in **WEIGHT** 121 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Red
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES No superpowers, but few journos have a better nose for a good story or are more persistent when on the trail of a possible scoop.

Among the so-called "Fourth Estate" of professional newspaper reporting, Vicki Vale was highly respected and acclaimed for her determination in rooting out the truth with her writing. In Gotham City social circles Vicki was also known for her on-again/off-again romance with billionaire Bruce Wayne, who—despite caring deeply for Vicki—was ultimately unable to reveal to her the fact that he was BATMAN. [illegible] her relationship with Bruce drove Selina Kyle [illegible] CATWOMAN, into fits [illegible] murderous jealousy. [illegible] one occasion [illegible] Selina caused the car Vicki and Bruce were travelling in to plunge into a lake. Vicki would have drowned if Bruce had not rescued her.

Vicki has since left both Bruce Wayne and print journalism behind and now hosts *The Scene* TV show. SB

VANDAL SAVAGE

FIRST APPEARANCE GREEN LANTERN (1st series) #10 (Winter 1943)
STATUS Villain **REAL NAME** Vandar Adg
OCCUPATION Would-be conqueror **BASE** Mobile
HEIGHT 5ft 10in **WEIGHT** 170 lbs **EYES** Brown **HAIR** Black
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Savage is immortal. He is a brilliant strategist and scientist with 50,000 years of experience to draw upon.

Fifty thousand years ago, Vandar Adg was a chieftain of the Blood tribe of Cro-Magnons in Europe. Adg was exposed to the radiation from a meteor that advanced his intellect and gave him immortality. The ruthless Adg spent millennia acquiring wealth and power and became a leader of the Illuminati, a secret society that controlled the world. Over the centuries, Savage was a pharaoh in Egypt, a Caesar in Rome, led the Mongol hordes as Genghis Khan, led the Spanish Armada, advised Napoleon, and committed serial murders as Jack the Ripper.

During World War II Vandal Savage fought the JUSTICE SOCIETY OF AMERICA in the INJUSTICE SOCIETY. He collected DNA samples of the team and used them to create HOURMAN. Savage engineered the congressional hearings that forced the JSA to disband in 1951. In recent years Savage created the super-speed drug Velocity 9, joined several villains in TARTARUS while fighting the TEEN TITANS, plotted [illegible] and destroyed Montevideo, Uruguay. An enemy of Rip Hunter (see HUNTER, RIP), RESURRECTION MAN, and the JSA, Savage uses transplanted organs from his descendants to ensure his survival, which extends well into the 853rd century. Savage's recent plots include a scheme to [illegible] the Earth (stopped by the new AQUAMAN) and the extermination of super hero lineages related to the JUSTICE SOCIETY OF AMERICA. Vandal Savage has revealed himself as the father of SCANDAL, and he hopes that she will one day be his heir. PJ

VANGUARD

FIRST APPEARANCE NEW TEEN TITANS (1st series) ANNUAL #1 (1985)
STATUS Hero team **BASE** Mobile
MEMBERS AND POWERS **Anti-Matterman** Draws power from anti-matter universe. **Scanner** Powerful mental abilities. **White Dwarf** Controls gravity and density of objects. **Solaar** Controls heat and energy of solar winds. **Black Nebula (deceased)** Could generate a field of darkness. **Drone** Entity of living metal; Vanguard space transport.

[illegible] Heroes: *The New Teen Titans* [illegible] the [illegible] of Vanguard. **1)** Scanner **2)** Solaar **3)** White Dwarf **4)** Anti-Matterman

[illegible] what good [illegible] Titans [illegible] Vanguard's [illegible] attempted to capture [illegible] needed to [illegible] New TEEN TITANS [illegible] discovered that [illegible] Black Nebula [illegible] an organic power [illegible] was [illegible].

Only the united strength of the Vanguard [illegible] Teen Titans could defeat [illegible] Earth. Although grateful to the Titans [illegible] the Vanguard chose to resume wandering [illegible] light years of space rather than [illegible] planet. DW

VAPOR

First appearance JUSTICE LEAGUE QUARTERLY #1 (Winter 1990)
Status Hero **Real name** Carrie Donahue
Occupation Activist **Base** Formerly New York City
Height 5ft 5in **Weight** 124 lbs **Eyes** Hazel **Hair** Brown
Special powers/abilities Able to transform into a living vaporous mist with odorless, anesthetic, or transparent properties.

Although Carrie Donahue was less than overjoyed upon acquiring superpowers, the admitted liberal decided to use her ability as the performing artist known as Vapor. The origin of Carrie's powers is unknown, although she may be the result of a [illegible] bizarre [illegible] often associated with spontaneous superpowers. Ironically, the intelligent and haughty young woman accepted businessman [illegible] Montgomery's offer to [illegible] the Conglomerate (see CONGLOMERATE, THE), a team applying its super-heroic services to corporate sponsors. But the Wall Street Conglomerate battled the JUSTICE LEAGUE OF AMERICA—whom Vapor regarded as a pathetic joke—after violating UN protocols by meeting the tyrannical leader of the nation of San Sebastian. The Conglomerate broke apart shortly, and Vapor became a spokesperson for an environmental group. Her present location and activities are unknown. SB

VETERAN

First appearance ROBIN (2nd series) #138 (July 2005)
Status Hero **Real name** Unknown
Occupation Adventurer **Base** Mobile
Height 6ft 2in **Weight** 220 lbs **Eyes** Blue **Hair** Brown
Special powers/abilities Superior combat abilities and marksmanship; brilliant strategist; in top-notch physical condition.

The Veteran is a legendary super hero with ties to the U.S. military. He has a strategic mind and battlefield leadership abilities. He participated in Operation Desert Storm and other U.S.-led invasions and earned the rank of general. The Veteran is used to leadership, and [illegible] of heroes to fight street crime and [illegible].

Impressed with the skills of ROBIN (Tim Drake), the Veteran tried to recruit him by [illegible] Robin's enemies and leaving a [illegible] on her [illegible]. Robin ran one mission with the Veteran's team, but elected to remain BATMAN's partner. Later, the Veteran was among the heroes and villains rounded up by the AUCTIONEER and imprisoned aboard his spacecraft. The Veteran tried to lead a breakout squad consisting of Blue Jay, Livewire, [illegible], and the new AQUAMAN (Arthur Joseph Curry), but SUPERMAN quickly took over. The Veteran proved himself against the Auctioneer's robotic sentries. DW

VEXT

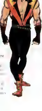
First appearance DCU HEROES SECRET FILES AND ORIGINS #1 (February 1999) **Status** Undecided **Real name** Vext
Occupation Patron deity of misfortune **Base** Delta City
Height 6ft 2in **Weight** 210 lbs **Eyes** Blue **Hair** Brown
Special powers/abilities Immortality; teleportation; can manipulate all manner of unfortunate occurrences; suffers constant bad luck.

Vext is a god of mishaps and misfortune, the personification of the so-called "Murphy's Law," where anything that can go wrong will, and at the worst possible moment! Vext once resided in the Jejune Realm, also known as the Borough of Mawkish Indifference, a land of minor gods and goddesses who oversee the mundane aspects of people's everyday life.

The Jejune Realm was erased from existence when mortals no longer chose to actively worship its gods, and Vext was sent to Earth. He [illegible] in Delta City under [illegible] not to interfere in [illegible] affairs. Struggling [illegible] the world as a [illegible] Vext was [illegible] by Paragon[illegible] the beautiful but unlucky Goddess of Relationships Gone Horribly Wrong. Vext [illegible] being pursued by Aaron Caldwell, an archaeologist devoted to the study of minor gods such as the Jejune pantheon. Vext settled down with Colleen McBride, an aspiring writer and Vext's next-door neighbor. PJ

VIBE

First appearance JUSTICE LEAGUE OF AMERICA (1st series) ANNUAL #2 (November 1984)
Status Hero (deceased) **Real name** Paco Ramone
Occupation Super hero **Base** Detroit
Height 5ft 10in **Weight** 157 lbs **Eyes** Brown **Hair** Brown
Special powers/abilities Could emit shockwaves to trigger earthquakes.



During the period when AQUAMAN [illegible] reformed the JUSTICE LEAGUE OF AMERICA out of a Detroit bunker, Paco Ramone quit as leader of the local El Lobos street gang to join the new JLA along with fellow Detroiter GYPSY. Under the codename Vibe, Ramone used his natural ability to vibrate objects at molecular levels and generate destructive shockwaves.

Vibe's career with the JLA ended when an android created by PROFESSOR IVO attacked and strangled Vibe—making him the first Justice Leaguer to be killed in the line of duty. Armando, Vibe's younger brother, had similar powers and later joined the CONGLOMERATE as Re[illegible] (later HARDLINE).

Sadly Vibe has not been allowed to rest in peace. Twice his undead spirit has been reanimated to vex his former teammates in the JLA. DW

VIGILANTE I

First appearance ACTION COMICS #42 (November 1941)
Status Hero (deceased) **Real name** Gregory Sanders
Height 6ft **Weight** 180 lbs **Eyes** Blue **Hair** Black
Occupation Adventurer **Base** Mobile
Special powers/abilities A trained fighter, an expert motorcycle rider, is skilled with a pistol and lariat, and can sing a pretty mean tune.

Nathaniel Sanders and his wife had three children: Rebecca, Gregory, and Jeffrey. Jeff Sanders died of the fever in [illegible], and Nathaniel was killed by stagecoach bandits. Greg grew up to become the famous radio star known as the "Prairie Troubadour." However, to avenge his father, he donned the costumed identity of the Vigilante. He had numerous exploits on his own and with the SEVEN SOLDIERS OF VICTORY. Billy "Pop" Gunn, an old man from New Jersey who loved the Old West, hooked up with the Vigilante for several adventures.

While trying to prevent the Head from instigating a tong war in Chinatown, the Vigilante met the youthful Daniel Leong, who soon becomes his partner Stuff. Gangster Benjamin "Bugsy" Siegel killed Stuff, sending Vigilante on a [illegible] mission of vengeance. At some point thereafter, Leong's brother Victor took over his brother's role as Stuff, the Chinatown Kid. On June 20, 1947, Vigilante finally gained revenge in a one-on-one confrontation with Bugsy Siegel. Shortly thereafter, the SSOV were tossed back in time and Sanders spent 1875–1895 roaming the Old West. He was rescued by the JUSTICE LEAGUE OF AMERICA and the JUSTICE SOCIETY OF AMERICA. Vigilante recently gathered a new group of Seven Soldiers to battle the far-future Sheeda, but Vigilante and most other members of the overmatched group died. RG

VIGILANTE II

First appearance THE NEW TEEN TITANS ANNUAL (1st series) #2 (Summer 1983)
Status Hero (deceased) **Real name** Adrian Chase
Occupation Criminal hunter **Base** Mobile
Height 6ft 2in **Weight** 197 lbs **Eyes** Blue **Hair** Blond
Special powers/abilities Master of unarmed combat and skilled in the use of firearms and other weapons; practiced meditative processes to overcome pain and heal injuries; rode a heavily armed motorcycle.

As the indefatigable Manhattan District Attorney, Adrian Chase worked doggedly within the system to dismantle the city's Mafia infrastructure. But when Chase's wife Dinah, son Adam, and daughter Drew were killed by a bomb planted by the Scarapelli mob family, Chase sought his own justice as Vigilante. Guilt-ridden over his abandonment of the rule of law, Chase committed suicide. A new Vigilante has recently appeared and has worked on cases with NIGHTWING. SB

VENTRILOQUIST & SCARFACE

FIRST APPEARANCE DETECTIVE COMICS #583 (February 1988)
STATUS Villain (deceased) **REAL NAME** Arnold Wesker
OCCUPATION Gang boss; assassin **BASE** Gotham City
HEIGHT 5ft 7in **WEIGHT** 142 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Grey
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Out of shape and a poor ventriloquist (he speaks "b's as g's"); however his shattered psyche harbors dark passions, which find murderous outlet through his dummy, Scarface.

[illegible] killed a man, landing [illegible] Penitentiary.

[illegible] saved him [illegible] the wood [illegible] the wood was [illegible] the doll and [illegible] ty of Scarface [illegible]

[illegible] became [illegible] stopped by BATMAN. Wesker [illegible]

[illegible] Wesker [illegible] Following [illegible] Wesker [illegible] puppet [illegible] She [illegible] RG

REBORN [illegible]

LOOK WHO'S TALKING [illegible]

KEY STORYLINES
- *DETECTIVE COMICS #583 (FEBRUARY 1988)* The Ventriloquist debuts; his gimmick and insanity making him a perfect fit in Gotham's bizarre criminal underworld.
- *DETECTIVE COMICS #818 (JUNE 2006)* Wesker is killed by an assassin working for mob boss, the Great White Shark.
- *DETECTIVE COMICS #843-844 (JUNE-JULY 2008)* The new Ventriloquist meets Bruce Wayne, and both realize they know one another socially outside of Gotham's world of [illegible]

VIGILANTE III

FIRST APPEARANCE DEATHSTROKE THE TERMINATOR #6 (January 1992) **STATUS** Hero **REAL NAME** Patricia "Pat" Trayce
OCCUPATION Retired police detective, crime fighter **BASE** Mobile
HEIGHT 5ft 9in **WEIGHT** 144 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Blond
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Markswoman and martial artist; costume has night-vision goggles and flak jacket; weapons and equipment include pistol, ropes, grenades, and a molybdenum alloy fighting baton.

After her partner was killed by mob hitman Barker, L.C.P.D. detective Pat Trayce was suspected of jeopardizing Barker's safety in the witness protection program. When Deathstroke kidnapped Barker to smoke out the true traitor within the police department, Trayce was blamed and suspended from duty. Determined to prove her innocence, Trayce began her own investigation, during which she [illegible] the informant Scoops, who had once assisted the late Adrian Chase (Vigilante II). Scoops gave Trayce the costume and weapons of the Vigilante. Trayce then helped Deathstroke flush out the police department mole. Realizing the benefits of working outside the law, Trayce turned in her badge and became the Vigilante full-time. She has been a [illegible] set up a detective agency Vigilante and worked with the Forgotten Heroes and the JSA All-Stars. SB

VIKING PRINCE

FIRST APPEARANCE THE BRAVE AND THE BOLD #1 (August 1955)
STATUS Hero (deceased) **REAL NAME** Jon Haraldson
OCCUPATION Adventurer **BASE** Formerly 10th-century Scandinavia; now Valhalla, home for Norse warriors who have died in battle
HEIGHT 5ft 11in **WEIGHT** 171 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Blond
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES A powerful hand-to-hand combatant and swordsman; some legends claim that he was invulnerable to harm from metal, wood, fire, and water.

The origins of Jon the Viking Prince remain a mystery. One [illegible] asserts that Jon was [illegible] Valhalla after a great [illegible] and superpowers by [illegible] Asgardian god, and [illegible] Earth to battle [illegible] [illegible] past [illegible] to the present [illegible] the Raven [illegible] the High [illegible] and the Viking [illegible] with the [illegible] and the Ravens and Ga[illegible] Suspended [illegible] by a Valkyrie who had fallen in love with him, the Viking Prince was freed from his frozen state centuries later during World War II. After dying fighting the Nazis, Jon was finally taken to Valhalla.

Black Canary later learned that the Viking Prince had [illegible] Chesbro's bullet when she found an artifact that [illegible] to their affair. Upon it was carved the inscription "[illegible] heart mourns for a love lost to time." PJ

VILLAINY INC

FIRST APPEARANCE WONDER WOMAN: OUR WORLDS AT WAR #1 (August 2001) **STATUS** Villain team **BASE** Mobile
CURRENT MEMBERS AND POWERS **Queen Clea (leader, deceased)** Atlantean monarch who carried the trident of Poseidon. **Cyborgirl** Cyborg who can interface with mech navy. **Doctor Poison II** Expert in toxins and plagues. **Giganta** Can grow to towering heights. **Jinx** Vast mystical abilities. **Trinity (destroyed)** Her three faces: Time, War, and Chaos, possessed special and powers, revealed as a computer virus.

This all-female supervillain team [illegible] for Wonder Woman [illegible] in the 1940s. Led by the Atlantean Queen Clea, whose roster included Cheetah, Doctor Poison, Hypnota, Vulcana, and Zara, the wanton team failed to score lasting victories. Clea soon recruited Villainy, Inc. and recruited a new roster: Cyborgirl, outfitted with Cyborg's machinery and weapons; Giganta; Jinx; the enigmatic Trinity; and the second Doctor Poison, the granddaughter of the original.

Clea led the new team to Skartaris, home of the Warlord, hoping to capture the Golden City of Shamballah and its computer core. Wonder Woman united the peoples of Skartaris in a counter attack, but Trinity revealed herself to be a living computer virus created by ancient Skartaran scientists to infect Shamballah's computer core and "reboot" the land to its previous, more harmonious state. Wonder Woman stopped Trinity and Clea was plunged into nothingness. The surviving members joined Wonder Woman on a trip to 1943, where a younger Clea and Hippolyta were joined in battle. After helping defeat Clea, Wonder Woman escorted Villainy Inc. back to the modern era. DW

GOLDEN AGE The original Villainy Inc. [illegible] Hippolyta, the original Wonder Woman.

THE NEW TEAM **1)** [illegible] **2)** Doctor Poison II **3)** Trinity **4)** Queen Clea **5)** Cyborgirl **6)** [illegible]

VILLAINS UNITED

FIRST APPEARANCE VILLAINS UNITED #1 (July 2005)
STATUS Villain team **BASE** Mobile
FOUNDER MEMBERS AND POWERS
Doctor Psycho: Telepathy and mind-control
Talia Head: Brilliant tactician and combatant
Deathstroke: Superior mind-to-hand fighter and weapons expert
Black Adam: Flight, super strength, super speed, near-invulnerability
The Calculator: Genius at information retrieval

[illegible] known [illegible] Villains United [illegible] shape [illegible] Infinite C[illegible] Luthor [illegible] survivor of [illegible] Earth [illegible] of Lex Luthor [illegible] bring together [illegible] assemblage of criminals [illegible] Hundreds [illegible] the new Society [illegible] of riches [illegible] outright threats. A six-member [illegible] Luthor [illegible] Talia [illegible] Black Adam and the Calculator [illegible] coordinated the Society's activities.

AN OFFER YOU CAN'T REFUSE [illegible]

THE CAGED BIRD SINGS [illegible] Mockingbird [illegible]

A WORTHY ADVERSARY

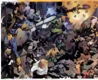
The real Lex Luthor [illegible] at the scene [illegible] villainous [illegible] Deadshot [illegible] Catman [illegible] the new Secret Six [illegible] a plot to erase the [illegible] retaliation [illegible] mind-wipes [illegible] sabotage by the Secret Six [illegible] by kidnapping [illegible]

Finally the Society [illegible] headquarters [illegible] himself as a [illegible] Pandemonium sacrificed [illegible] of members [illegible] Vandal Savage [illegible] convincing Alexander [illegible] might harm his daughter [illegible]

The Society's biggest [illegible] the Battle of Metropolis at the climax [illegible] on hand and a global [illegible] the Society's ranks even further [illegible] their ultimate weapon [illegible] The army of villains marched [illegible] superheroic defenders [illegible] The Society [illegible] had recently assembled [illegible] League Unlimited.

FREEDOM AND INJUSTICE FOR ALL [illegible]

THE CURRENT LINEUP, *Left to right: Talia, Black Adam, Lex Luthor, Deathstroke, Dr. Psycho, and the Calculator.*



STRENGTH IN NUMBERS [illegible]

KEY STORYLINES
- **VILLAINS UNITED #1–6 (JULY–DECEMBER 2005):** The series [illegible] the rise of the society against the superhero community, culminating in the Battle of Metropolis.

VIXEN

First appearance ACTION COMICS #521 (July 1981)
Status Hero **Real name** Mari Jiwe McCabe
Occupation Adventurer **Base** Ultramarines base, Superbia
Height 5ft 7in **Weight** 140 lbs **Eyes** Brown **Hair** Brown
Special powers/abilities Mystical Tantu totem gives her the abilities of any animal at a time

Mari McCabe grew up in Africa, the daughter of the Reverend Richard Jiwe. Her father had inherited a magical totem that had supposedly been given to the ancient hero Tantu by the trickster Anansi the Spider of African folklore and myth. The reverend's envious and corrupt half-brother General Maksai killed Richard for the totem, and Mari fled to the US, where she found remarkable success as a fashion model.

Soon Mari recovered the Tantu totem and, under the codename Vixen, used its amazing animal powers to become a member of the Detroit-based JUSTICE LEAGUE OF AMERICA. General Maksai tried to force her to turn the totem over to him but received his comeuppance when he used the totem in selfishness, and was transformed [illegible]. Vixen joined the SUICIDE SQUAD after leaving the JLA, striking up a failed romance with teammate BRONZE TIGER. After serving with the INTERNATIONAL ULTRAMARINE CORPS, Vixen joined the most recent incarnation of the Justice League. Almost immediately, she experienced problems with her animal powers, losing them entirely before discovering that she now had the ability to mimic the superpowers of her fellow heroes. DW

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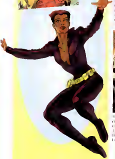


VUNDERBARR, VIRMIN

First appearance MISTER MIRACLE (1st series) #5 (December 1971)
Status Villain (deceased) **Real name** Virmin Vunderbarr
Occupation Assassin **Base** Apokolips
Height 5ft 2in **Weight** 103 lbs **Eyes** Blue **Hair** Black
Special powers/abilities A highly skilled, if inflexible, tactician; good hand-to-hand combatant, but handicapped by small size. He relies on his troops to fight his battles for him; has delusions of grandeur and believes he deserves more power than he has.

[illegible] DARKSEID [illegible] He [illegible] himself [illegible] sides even though [illegible] the other acolytes to [illegible]. After a campaign [illegible] styled himself after [illegible] Prussian soldiers. [illegible] Darkseid and [illegible] Omega Force [illegible] when needed. [illegible] time and [illegible] hands of Scott Free, MISTER MIRACLE. [illegible] spends more time [illegible] Darkseid's favor than being an [illegible] despite his keen intellect [illegible].

[illegible] Malice serves with Granny Goodness's Female Furies. Vunderbarr himself [illegible]. RG

Jackboot jerk [illegible] days gone by.

Malice in mind [illegible] Malice [illegible] far deadlier and more [illegible] than he ever was.

VON GUNTHER, BARONESS PAULA

First appearance WONDER WOMAN (2nd series) #131 (March 1998) **Status** Reformed villain **Real name** Paula Von Gunther
Occupation Scientist **Base** Themyscira
Height 5ft 10in **Weight** 155 lbs **Eyes** Blue **Hair** Blonde
Special powers/abilities Expert occultist (as Dark Angel): teleportation, can change size and shape, hand control, manipulation of time

Baroness Paula Von Gunther was a ruthless Nazi occultist and a personal assistant to Adolf Hitler during World War II. Hoping to harness the power of Johnny Thunder's mystic Thunderbolt (see THUNDER, JOHNNY), [illegible] the Baroness [illegible] and the ancient spirit [illegible] Angel, who took over her [illegible] the resulting Dark Angel's [illegible] powers, Von Gunther [illegible] the JUSTICE SOCIETY OF AMERICA and trapped them in [illegible] cage. HIPPOLYTA, the [illegible] Age WONDER WOMAN, [illegible] their heroic teammates, and [illegible] Gunther was separated from [illegible] Angel. [illegible] Angel became a constant foe [illegible] Hippolyta and [illegible] daughter [illegible] while Von Gunther [illegible] the Nazi party and relocated to [illegible] (see Amazing Bases pp. 132–3). There the [illegible] prominent scientist, the inventor of the Purple Healing Ray. PJ

VYKIN

First appearance FOREVER PEOPLE (1st series) #1 (March 1971)
Status Hero **Real name** None **Occupation** Adventurer
Base Earth **Height** 6ft 1in **Weight** 201 lbs **Eyes** Brown
Hair Black **Special powers/abilities** "Magno-Power" enables him to project magnetic energy; a natural tracker able to mentally trace atomic patterns; carries the Forever People's Mother Box computer.

Like his five human [illegible] the FOREVER PEOPLE, Vykin was plucked from Earth and transported through time and space to New Genesis. There the enigmatic [illegible] imbued him with incredible [illegible]. When BEAUTIFUL DREAMER [illegible] Forever People was abducted [illegible] DARKSEID [illegible] of New [illegible] to Earth, Vykin and the [illegible] returned to the planet of their birth [illegible]. Later, after battling Darkseid's agent DEVILANCE the Pursuer, Vykin and the Forever People were [illegible] on the planet [illegible] Vykin [illegible] the Forever People's M[illegible] the Box, a living computer, to increase the intelligence of Adonis's native populace. The remaining Forever People taught the Adonians culture and established the [illegible] Forevertown. However, when SERIFAN was [illegible] by an evil entity called the Dark Adon, [illegible] regressed to its original primitive state. Although quickly [illegible] from the dead, Vykin and his teammates perished again during the Death of the New Gods event. SB

WALLER, AMANDA

FIRST APPEARANCE LEGENDS #1 (November 1986)
STATUS Villain **REAL NAME** Amanda Blake Waller
OCCUPATION Leader of the Suicide Squad **BASE** Washington, D.C.
HEIGHT 5ft 1in. **WEIGHT** 200 lbs **EYES** Brown **HAIR** Brown
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES No combat training, but her steel will allows her to see straight through to the heart of a problem

[illegible] of [illegible] good life for [illegible] their [illegible] drugs and six months later [illegible] raped and killed by a drug-dealer [illegible]. Joe went seeking revenge, [illegible] bullets. Amanda fiercely protected [illegible] children [illegible]

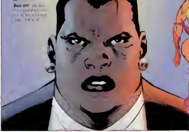
TOUGH NUT [illegible] helps [illegible]

[illegible]

Waller [illegible] the [illegible] Suicide Squad [illegible]

After [illegible] leading the Squad, Waller [illegible] the leadership [illegible] serving as Black King [illegible] Suicide Squad [illegible] RG

BACK OFF! [illegible]



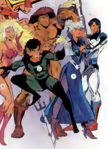
WANDERERS, THE

FIRST APPEARANCE ADVENTURE COMICS #375 (December 1968)
STATUS Hero team **BASE** Mobile
CURRENT MEMBERS AND POWERS
Re-Animage (leader) Immortal
Dartalon Carries a blowgun that fires special darts
Elvar Master swordsman with an energy-charged blade
Aviax Shapeshifter; can turn into any type of bird
Psyche Empath capable of manipulating others' moods
Quantum Queen Can change her body into light radiation
Celebrand (not active) Skilled marksman, natural leader

[illegible] the Wanderers [illegible] colorful [illegible] of villains [illegible] stealing the Seven [illegible]

Though their [illegible] the Wanderers appeared [illegible] murdered them [illegible] Wanderers [illegible] became Dartalon [illegible] became Aviax.

Once the clone Wanderers solved the [illegible] own murders they became [illegible] They even created a clone of Celebrand [illegible] Although the Wanderers have not been seen for some time, they are presumably still active somewhere in the greater galaxy. DW



THE WANDERERS 1) Aviax **2)** Dartalon **3)** Re-[illegible] **4)** Psyche **5)** Elvar **6)** Quantum Queen

WARLORD

FIRST APPEARANCE FIRST ISSUE SPECIAL #8 (November 1975)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Travis Morgan
OCCUPATION Warlord **BASE** Skartaris
HEIGHT 6ft **WEIGHT** 188 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** White
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES An exceptional athlete and tactical thinker; a proven swordsman, horseback rider, and brawler.

OUT OF TIME
Travis found [illegible] the [illegible] of Skartaris.

[illegible] he found himself [illegible] land of [illegible] dinosaurs. Bet[illegible] the throne [illegible] from [illegible] Deimos! Morgan and Tara [illegible] then husband [illegible] taught him [illegible] skill [illegible] become the freedom-fighter Warlord. [illegible] had a son, Joshua, who was kidnapped [illegible] magically turned into an adult and [illegible] In fact the child survived and [illegible] Morgan [illegible] daughter Jennifer [illegible] searching for [illegible] Skartaris she [illegible] powers [illegible] abilities and became [illegible] goal of Deimos, helping to keep the land free. RG

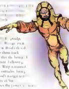
WEAPONERS OF QWARD

FIRST APPEARANCE GREEN LANTERN (2nd series) #2 (October 1960)
STATUS Villains **BASE** Qward, the Anti-Matter Universe
NOTABLE AGENTS AND WEAPONERS
Barbryel, Chamin, Drik, Gnaaas (a robot), **Gyn-Gryngg, Gypo-Bax, Kara-Thyne, Kreen the Chief Weaponer, Kromon, Magot, Rengan the Abominable, Sinestro, Talla-Tog, Vastry the Thinker, Yokal the Atrocious.**
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Armed with "qwa-bolts," yellow shields; render the power rings of the Green Lantern Corps ineffective.

In the anti-matter universe of Qward, wrong is [illegible] literally right. The Qwardians worship evil and hate beings [illegible] positive matter universe who believe in the ideal [illegible] billion years ago the Anti-Monitor was born [illegible] moon of Qward. This creature—absolute evil [illegible] control of the anti-matter universe and [illegible] army of Thunderers to battle his munificent [illegible] in the positive-matter universe, the MONITOR. [illegible] backlash of their equal-but-opposite assaults [illegible] Anti-Monitor and the Monitor into slumbering [illegible] billions of years, a Qwardian named Yokal the Atrocious seized the opportunity to unite his people [illegible] the Weaponers of Qward. Declaring himself Chief Weaponer, Yokal initiated the ongoing Qwardian offensive [illegible] the GUARDIANS OF THE UNIVERSE in the positive matter universe and wage war with the Guardians' peacekeeping agents, the heroic GREEN LANTERN CORPS. During the Crisis on Infinite Earths, the Anti-Monitor (see MONITORS) transformed his Thunderers into shadow demons. Recently SINESTRO has made Qward his headquarters and the staging area for the Sinestro Corps. [illegible] Weaponers are forced to manufacture yellow [illegible] SB

WARP

FIRST APPEARANCE THE NEW TEEN TITANS (1st series) #14 (December 1981) **STATUS** Villain **REAL NAME** Emil LaSalle
OCCUPATION Mercenary **BASE** Saint Tropez, France
HEIGHT 5ft 8in **WEIGHT** 148 lbs **EYES** Brown **HAIR** Brown
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Ability to fly; can open warps, and teleport between two locations.



[illegible] against Madame Rouge even [illegible] joining the New Brotherhood [illegible] to help them track down Rouge after she betrayed their organization. Following Rouge's death, Warp remained with his new comrades, having the Brotherhood's name [illegible] into the Society of Sin.

Warp possesses the power [illegible] wormholes between two points in space through which he can transport [illegible]. It is believed that he needs [illegible] to open [illegible] but Warp's powers are still undefined.

Warp participated in the Crisis (see Great Battles, pp. [illegible]) and has battled the Teen Titans and Elongated Man. During the Infinite Crisis, Warp and [illegible] the most [illegible] person at the center [illegible] the Earth. DW

WAVERIDER

FIRST APPEARANCE ARMAGEDDON 2001 #1 (May 1991)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Matthew Ryder
OCCUPATION Scientist **BASE** Mobile
HEIGHT 6ft **WEIGHT** 185 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Blond
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Time travel; flight; project of quantum-powered force blasts; can access a person's aura and predict their most probable future.

Matthew Ryder was a scientist [illegible] MONARCH [illegible] Ryder believed that [illegible] erstwhile [illegible] Monarch [illegible] skills Ryder [illegible] into the past [illegible] Ryder confronted Monarch [illegible] his own device and Monarch [illegible] Ryder, like several [illegible] process Ryder survived, however [illegible] timestream and transforming into Waverider. [illegible]

Along with [illegible] Armageddon [illegible] Monarch [illegible] Hall [illegible] Hawk [illegible] After joining [illegible] TIME MASTERS, Waverider met his [illegible] when murdered [illegible] robot sidekick Skeets. PJ

WEATHER WIZARD

FIRST APPEARANCE THE FLASH #110 (January 1960)
STATUS Villain **REAL NAME** Mark Mardon
OCCUPATION Professional criminal **BASE** Central City
HEIGHT 6ft 1in **WEIGHT** 184 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Black
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Weather Wizard projects solar energy which brings about meteorological changes. Mardon can summon lightning bolts or batter cold with a wave of the wand.

[illegible]

STORMY [illegible]

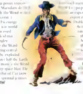
WEIRD, THE

FIRST APPEARANCE THE WEIRD #1 (April 1988)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** None
OCCUPATION Dimensional guardian **BASE** Mobile
HEIGHT 6ft 5in **WEIGHT** 185 lbs **EYES** Brown **HAIR** Brown
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Could change molecular density of his body or anything he was in contact with; flew by riding magnetic currents.

The Weird came from an alternate dimension inhabited by the energy-seething Zamlatts and the [illegible] Macrolatts, who exploited [illegible] Zamlatts as power sources. When several Macrolatts [illegible] Earth, the Weird [illegible] to prevent [illegible] on his energy [illegible] this new world [illegible] the Weird possessed [illegible] body [illegible] that [illegible] Walter Langley. Unfortunately the Weird [illegible] an approaching critical [illegible]—when he exploded he would take out half the Earth. After [illegible] the invasion the Weird perished in a deep space blast. He [illegible] his soul mixed with that of CAPTAIN [illegible] Weird embarked on a spiritual journey [illegible] strange new state. DW

WHIP, THE

FIRST APPEARANCE FLASH COMICS #1 (January 1940)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Rodney Elwood Gaynor
OCCUPATION Playboy **BASE** Seguro, New Mexico; New York City
HEIGHT 6ft 2in **WEIGHT** 210 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Blond
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Expert with a bullwhip and a superb horseback rider; well-developed social conscience, despite wealth.



In 1939 millionaire socialite Rod Gaynor was traveling through Seguro, New Mexico, when he learned of the [illegible] Don Fernando Suarez, a 19th-century [illegible] known as El Castigo, the Whip. Gaynor [illegible] many of Suarez's belongings and [illegible] to perpetuate the hero's legend. He [illegible] an expert with a bullwhip and an expert equestrian, riding his stallion Diablo as the new Whip.

As the Whip, Gaynor fought crime in New Mexico, preventing the exploitation of the poor Mexican immigrants who lived there. When the United States [illegible] World War II, however, [illegible] moved to New York City and [illegible] the ALL-STAR SQUADRON. [illegible] Whip, Shelly [illegible] joined the Seven [illegible] Victory but [illegible] battle with the Shroud. PJ

WHITE MARTIANS

FIRST APPEARANCE JLA #1 (January 1997)
STATUS Villains **BASE** Z'onn Z'orr
MAIN MEMBERS AND POWERS (HYPERCLAN)
Protex A Martian superman
Primaid Warrior woman
Züm Superspeedster
Zenturion Shield-carrying soldier
Fluxus Rocky powerhouse
Armek Armored juggernaut
Tronix Possessor of devastating gases
A-Mortal Fearsome wraith

Possessing superstrength, telepathy, the power of flight, and force-blasting "Martian Vision," like their Green Martian kin, the White Martians are a [illegible] strong race of shape shifters. They share the Green Martians' weakness to fire, which renders them virtually powerless. Long ago, the bloodthirsty White Martians had dominated Earth. However, the more peaceful Green Martians (of whom the JLA's MARTIAN MANHUNTER J'onn J'onzz is the sole survivor) banished them to the inter-dimensional [illegible] for an eternity [illegible] [illegible] the White Martian [illegible] on Earth. [illegible] White Martian [illegible] Eight of their [illegible] arrived on Earth calling themselves the Hyperclan. These handsome-seeming [illegible] they had come [illegible] and quickly gained [illegible] trust with [illegible] deeds. [illegible] the JLA saw [illegible] the Hyperclan [illegible] and thwarted [illegible] Martians' plan [illegible] Earth [illegible] [illegible] having [illegible] wiped, a [illegible] White [illegible] human [illegible] Hyperclan [illegible] wreak havoc on Earth [illegible] [illegible] Perm [illegible] White Martians, but [illegible] MARTIAN [illegible] SB

FLOWER OF WRATH [illegible]

WHITE WITCH

FIRST APPEARANCE ADVENTURE COMICS #350 (November 1966)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Mysa
OCCUPATION Adventurer **BASE** Earth
HEIGHT 5ft 8in **WEIGHT** 1[illegible] lbs **EYES** Red **HAIR** White
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Can perform magic spells of defense or offense. Still learning, but has the potential to become one of the most powerful mages of her millennia.

Mysa the White Witch [illegible] the [illegible] member of the Wanderers [illegible] Mekt Ranzz (see LIGHTNING LORD) [illegible] the [illegible] and [illegible] the all-powerful [illegible] Mordru. [illegible] until much later [illegible] Mysa was Mordru's [illegible] child [illegible] transformed into a [illegible] there [illegible] a time [illegible] Mordru. Mysa [illegible] the [illegible] of the mystic heroes [illegible] later [illegible] Mordru [illegible] Sybella [illegible] Azra [illegible] joining [illegible] Zeta [illegible] telekinesis [illegible] of the Legion of Super-Heroes lost her powers [illegible] that Mordru [illegible] the Star of Akkos [illegible] to blame for this. Mysa [illegible] her role and restored Kinetix's abilities just before Mordru escaped from his prison. In the ensuing battle Mysa the White Witch was returned to her youthful [illegible] again. She continues to perfect her abilities and [illegible] with Legionnaires [illegible]. RG

WHITE, PERRY

FIRST APPEARANCE SUPERMAN (1st series) #7 (November 1940)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Perry Jerome White
OCCUPATION Managing editor of The Daily Planet **BASE** Metropolis
HEIGHT 5ft 10in **WEIGHT** 200 lbs
EYES Blue **HAIR** Brown with white at temples
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Indomitable will and relentless thirst for truth.

In a city dominated by the Man of Steel, *The Daily Planet*'s Perry White has become one of the most influential figures in Metropolis due to the power of the press. His life is inseparable from the modern history of the *Planet*, having started there as a copy boy at the age of ten. White's rough childhood in Suicide Slum was brightened somewhat by his friendship with a boy named Lex Luthor (see LUTHOR, LEX).

Luthor made a fortune in his early twenties and purchased the *Planet*. Perry left the country on assignment as an overseas reporter. In that time, Luthor seduced White's girlfriend Alice Spencer, who conceived a child. White married Spencer upon his return and she gave birth to his son (really Luthor's natural son) Jerry White. Meanwhile, financiers bought the newspaper back from Luthor on the condition that Perry White become managing editor.

White hired both Lois Lane (see LANE, LOIS) and Clark Kent (see SUPERMAN) and has weathered a number of tragedies that would have broken lesser men, including the death of his son and a bout with lung cancer. After a recent stint as a professor at Metropolis University, White returned to his first love, *The Daily Planet*. One of his toughest recent decisions was to demote Clark Kent to a lesser reporting job and hire Jack Ryder (see CREEPER, THE) as his replacement. DW

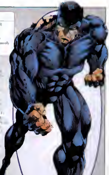
STOP THE PRESSES! *[illegible] through and through [illegible] Daily Planet [illegible] often [illegible] printer's ink running through his veins!*

WILDCAT I

FIRST APPEARANCE SENSATION COMICS #1 (January 1942)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Ted Grant
OCCUPATION Boxer **BASE** New York City
HEIGHT 6ft 5in **WEIGHT** 250 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Grey
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Master of hand-to-hand combat, especially boxing; slowed aging (like other JSA members).

[illegible] Ted Grant grew up to [illegible] heavyweight boxing champion in the [illegible] framed for murder in the [illegible] Ted became a fugitive [illegible] inspired by the Alan Scott, the first GREEN LANTERN, Ted donned a black costume and became Wildcat. Wildcat used his new uniform and his skills to pound out a confession from [illegible] and clear his name. As Wildcat, Grant began patrolling the streets of New York City and [illegible] of mob-related crime. He joined the JUSTICE SOCIETY OF AMERICA during World War II and had an affair with HIPPOLYTA, the Golden Age Wonder Woman. In 1947 Grant's son Jake was kidnapped by [illegible] Wasp and Wildcat temporarily retired [illegible] crimefighting. He opened his own gym [illegible] some of the world's greatest fighters, including [illegible] BLACK CANARY II and [illegible] Wildcat [illegible] member of the Justice Society [illegible] America [illegible] PJ

SPARRING PARTNER *[illegible] close friend [illegible] since the Golden Age.*



WILDCAT II

FIRST APPEARANCE (Yolanda Montez) INFINITY INC. #12 (Mar. 1985); (Wildcat II) CRISIS ON INFINITE EARTHS #6 (Sept. 1985)
STATUS Hero (deceased) **REAL NAME** Yolanda Montez
OCCUPATION Journalist for Rock Stars magazine **BASE** Los Angeles
HEIGHT 5ft 8in **WEIGHT** 143 lbs **EYES** Brown **HAIR** Reddish Brown
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES A ferocious fighter with cat-like reflexes and retractable claws, enhanced speed, and superhuman agility.

The original Wildcat (see WILDCAT I), Yolanda Montez's godfather, suffered crippling injuries during the [illegible] Yolanda decided to honor her godfather by using her [illegible] abilities to carry on in the [illegible] boxer's stead. As Wildcat II Yolanda joined INFINITY INC. and learned there that her powers resulted from experiments conducted by Dr. Benjamin Love upon pregnant mothers, including Yolanda's own (see HELIX). Wildcat II remained semi-active after the Infinitors disbanded, and later joined a squad of super heroes fighting to liberate Paradise, from ECLIPSO. Sadly, she was killed by the villain. SB

WILD DOG

FIRST APPEARANCE WILD DOG #1 (September 1987)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Jack Wheeler
OCCUPATION Ex-soldier, mechanic, vigilante **BASE** Quad Cities, Iowa
HEIGHT 6ft **WEIGHT** 175 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Blond
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES An exceptional soldier, excellent with firearms. As Wild Dog, his gloves emit an electric shock, similar to a taser.

[illegible]

[illegible] RG

WILDEBEEST

FIRST APPEARANCE (Wildebeest Society) THE NEW TEEN TITANS (2nd series) #36 (October 1987); (Baby Wildebeest) NEW TITANS #84 (February 1987) **STATUS** Hero **REAL NAME** None **OCCUPATION** Hero (deceased) **BASE** Science City, Russia **HEIGHT** Up to 12ft **WEIGHT** Up to 635 lbs **EYES** Yellow **HAIR** Auburn **SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES** Can transform into a giant, superstrong powerhouse; has the mind of an infant and the temper to match.

[illegible]

[illegible] DW

WILDFIRE

FIRST APPEARANCE SUPERBOY AND THE LEGION OF SUPER-HEROES #195 (June 1973) **STATUS** Hero **REAL NAME** (Atom-x) Drake Burroughs; (Blast-Off) Randall Burroughs; (Wildfire amalgam) Drake Burroughs **OCCUPATION** Legionnaire **BASE** Legion HQ, U.P. Space
HEIGHT 6ft 2in **WEIGHT** Variable **EYES** None **HAIR** None
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Projects blasts of energy and absorbs energy [illegible] speed.

[illegible] FJ

WINDFALL

FIRST APPEARANCE BATMAN AND THE OUTSIDERS #9 (April 1985)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Wendy Jones
OCCUPATION Adventurer **BASE** Los Angeles
HEIGHT 5ft **WEIGHT** 105 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Blonde
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Can generate and control winds, from gentle breezes to gale-force tornado-level windstorms.

[illegible] SB

WING

FIRST APPEARANCE DETECTIVE COMICS #20 (November 1938)
STATUS Hero (deceased) **REAL NAME** Wing How
OCCUPATION Adventurer **BASE** England
HEIGHT 5ft 6in **WEIGHT** 140 lbs **EYES** Brown **HAIR** Black
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Possesses a bright mind and a deep knowledge of [illegible] martial arts.

[illegible] RG

WITCHFIRE

FIRST APPEARANCE JLA #61 (February 2002)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Rebecca Carstairs
OCCUPATION Super hero **BASE** San Francisco
HEIGHT 5ft 6in **WEIGHT** 128 lbs **EYES** White **HAIR** Red
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Skilled daredevil who possesses spell-based occult powers.

[illegible]

[illegible] DW

WIZARD

FIRST APPEARANCE ALL STAR COMICS #34 (April 1947)
STATUS Villain **REAL NAME** William Asmodeus Zard
OCCUPATION Professional criminal **BASE** Mobile
HEIGHT 6ft **WEIGHT** 182 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Black
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES A sorcerer who can cast illusions, hypnotize others, and project his psyche on the astral plane

[illegible] from [illegible] prison [illegible] this [illegible] the U.S. and [illegible] Then [illegible] the Mystic Lama and [illegible] killer [illegible] training him [illegible] the Wizard [illegible] at the end of [illegible] [illegible] JSA [illegible] PJ

WORD II, THE

FIRST APPEARANCE DCU VILLAINS SECRET FILES #1 (April 1999)
STATUS Villain **REAL NAME** Unknown
OCCUPATION Assassin **BASE** Mobile
HEIGHT 5ft 9in **WEIGHT** 175 lbs **EYES** Unknown **HAIR** Black
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES The Word II may be a mutant with the ability to assimilate any written word onto his body

The [illegible] Word [illegible] created at the [illegible] Vines. In recent times the Word [illegible] Trees and [illegible] Parliaments [illegible] natural [illegible] Swamp Thing. [illegible] The Word was [illegible] Swamp Thing and his [illegible]

[illegible] Word [illegible] left) is a mortal [illegible]. What this man truly [illegible] letters [illegible] mouth and uses [illegible] commands. [illegible] his specialty is [illegible] he has been [illegible] by the likes of VANDAL SAVAGE. RG

YOUNG JUSTICE [illegible]

WONDER GIRL

FIRST APPEARANCE WONDER WOMAN (2nd series) #105 (February 1996)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Cassandra "Cassie" Sandsmark
OCCUPATION Member of Teen Titans **BASE** San Francisco
HEIGHT 5ft 3in **WEIGHT** 124 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Blonde
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Flight, superstrength, and enhanced speed bestowed upon her by Zeus; carries magical lasso; some invulnerability; trained in combat by the Amazons. Wonder Girl is still young and her powers may deepen with time.

PROMISING [illegible] Helena Sandsmark always reprimanded her daughter for her lack of responsibility, but Cassie seized the mantle of a hero when WONDER WOMAN came to her home town of Gateway City. Temporarily "borrowing" Wonder Woman's Sandals of Hermes and Gauntlet of Atlas, Cassie received prodigious strength and the ability to fly—superpowers she used to help smash a clone of DOOMSDAY. She later helped Wonder Woman defeat a [illegible] of entropy called Decay, donning goggles and a black wig to disguise herself in her new role as the second Wonder Girl (bearing a name [illegible] used by Donna Troy (see TROY, DONNA).

Summoned to Olympus, Cassie boldly asked Zeus for her own powers. He granted her wish and Wonder Girl became Gateway City's [illegible]. She honed her fighting skills through training sessions with ARTEMIS. Cassie joined the heroes of YOUNG JUSTICE alongside ROBIN, SUPERBOY, ARROWETTE, Impulse (see KID FLASH), the SECRET and [illegible] and served as team spokesperson.

Wonder Girl struggled to maintain her secret identity. Her charade [illegible] ended when SILVER SWAN II attacked Gateway City High School, [illegible] Cassie [illegible].

Since then Wonder Girl has joined the newest team of TEEN TITANS and hinted at a romance with SUPERBOY. She wields a [illegible] given to her by Ares, though the motives behind the [illegible] gift remain a mystery. DW

GIRL POWER [illegible] has a warrior's spirit and can soon stand up to Wonder Woman's [illegible]

WONDER WOMAN

THE AMAZING AMAZON

First appearance ALL-STAR COMICS #8 (Winter 1941)
Status Hero **Real name** Diana
Occupation Ambassador of peace; adventurer
Base New York City; Themyscira
Height 6ft **Weight** 165 lbs **Eyes** Blue **Hair** Black
Special powers/abilities Blessed with the gifts of the Olympian Gods, Wonder Woman is one of the strongest beings on the planet; she can fly at sublight speed; while not invulnerable, she is highly resistant to bodily harm; she can psychically communicate with animals; she is an expert at all forms of classical armed and unarmed combat, a master of the sword, axe, and bow and arrow; a skilled tactician and diplomat. Her arsenal includes a magic lasso that forces anyone within its confines to tell the absolute truth; her bracelets can deflect bullets.

WISE AS ATHENA, stronger than Heracles, swift as Hermes and beautiful as Aphrodite, Wonder Woman is Princess Diana, champion of Themyscira, the home of the immortal AMAZONS. Sculpted from clay by her mother Queen HIPPOLYTA, and brought to life by the OLYMPIAN GODS, Diana secretly entered a contest to find the worthiest Amazon and emerged as the victor. Given the task of ending the war god Ares's mad scheme to destroy the planet, Diana stepped forth from her idyllic existence into the chaotic world of Man as one of Earth's greatest defenders: Wonder Woman, the Amazing Amazon!

Rebirth [illegible] Paradise Island to thwart [illegible] tyranny.

SCULPTED FROM CLAY

The reincarnated soul of a woman who had died 30,000 years ago, Hippolyta longed for the child she had carried centuries before. An oracle told her to sculpt a baby from clay; the gods themselves then gave the child life. The only child ever born on Themyscira, the infant was named Diana after aviator Diana Trevor, who once crashed on Themyscira and died a hero defending the island. Princess Diana was raised by a nation of 3,000 teachers and sisters, always under the watchful eye of her overprotective mother.

THE AMAZONS AND THEIR ISLAND

Created 3,000 years ago by five goddesses of Olympus, the Amazons are a race of warrior women charged with the responsibility of promoting the peaceful ways of Gaea, the earth spirit. After Heracles and his men attacked the Amazons' home of Themyscira, the Amazons, by decree of the goddesses, were led to a remote island paradise where they were granted immortality and the task of guarding Doom's Doorway, the portal to Pandora's Box, beyond which a host of monsters were imprisoned.

Rebuilding their great city-state of Themyscira, the Amazons lived in idyllic solitude for millennia until a pilot from beyond their shores named Diana Trevor arrived on Paradise Island, changing their fate forever.

Diana Trevor *[illegible] Diana Rockwell Trevor [illegible] battle between [illegible] landing on the island [illegible] pilot used her weapons to force [illegible] creature that had escaped from Doom's Doorway back to the underworld. Diana ga[illegible] her life to save the Amazon nation.*

THE CONTEST

The goddesses ordered the Amazons to send forth their greatest warrior to thwart ARES' mad schemes. Forbidden by Hippolyta to enter the Contest, Diana disguised herself and became Themyscira's champion. Garbed in a uniform decorated with symbols honoring Diana Trevor, Diana was rewarded with a magic lasso and silver bracelets. Soon after, Steve Trevor [illegible] son and an unwitting pawn [illegible] landed on Themyscira. Diana was [illegible] taking him back to Latin [illegible] World [illegible] world of [illegible]

THE MADNESS OF ARES

After battling Ares' [illegible] upon [illegible] Patriarch's World, Diana, Steve, and several others were mystically transported to a commandeered military base in Colorado where Wonder Woman stopped Ares from launching his nuclear arsenal and ended his insane threat. Diana then embarked on a worldwide quest promoting peace and Amazon ideals. Living with Julia and Vanessa Kapatelis in their Boston brownstone, Wonder Woman garnered a formidable Rogues Gallery, which included the CHEETAH, SILVER SWAN, Doctor PSYCHO, and the sorceress CIRCE, who most resented Diana's pleas for peace and harmony.

KEY STORYLINES

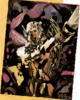
- ***Woman Woman* (2nd series) #1–6 (Feb.–July 1987)**: Introducing Wonder Woman's modern history and mission as ambassador of peace
- ***Wonder Woman: The Contest* (TPB, 1995)**: After Hippolyta manipulates a new challenge Artemis becomes the new Wonder Woman
- ***Wonder Woman* (2nd series) #196–200 (Nov 2003–Mar. 2004)**: Diana publishes her book as the Silver Swan attacks

THE DEATH OF DIANA

Foreseeing the death of her daughter in a mystic vision, Hippolyta calls for a new contest and [illegible] the sorceress Magala to manipulate its [illegible]. Diana is forced to forsake her mantle and title as [illegible] Amazon. Artemis became the new Wonder Woman. But after Artemis' death at the hands of the White Magician, [illegible] her [illegible] role as Wonder Woman. [illegible] Magala [illegible] on Diana [illegible] the devilish Neron [illegible] hellspawn killed the Amazon princess with a blast [illegible]

THE REBIRTH OF DIANA

Diana was [illegible] the [illegible] the Amazons [illegible] Hippolyta [illegible] that a [illegible] would have to take up her daughter's mantle and [illegible] as Wonder Woman. So Hippolyta journeyed back in time to World War II and joined the JUSTICE SOCIETY OF AMERICA for a time. After Hippolyta's return to the present, [illegible] the mortal plane, [illegible] Wonder Woman.



OUR WORLDS AT WAR

Soon after Diana and Hippolyta [illegible] that had [illegible] Paradise Island [illegible] Imperiex War [illegible] Battle [illegible] Diana was severely injured by [illegible] Hippolyta sacrificed herself to save [illegible] Diana then led a united Amazon [illegible] the forces of IMPERIEX and BRAINIAC [illegible] not before [illegible] blessings of the gods and the spirit of Hippolyta, Diana and the Amazons [illegible] mythos [illegible] Themyscira [illegible] (p. 152) [illegible]

World tour

PRINCESS, AMBASSADOR, AND AUTHOR

Forsaking her royal title after the dissolution of [illegible] monarchy, Wonder Woman [illegible] best of Amazon ambassador, not only to the United Nations but to [illegible] the more [illegible] several years living, working and fighting for [illegible] beyond the shores of Paradise Island, Diana [illegible] controversial book recording her observations [illegible] authorship to her long list of credits. Born a princess on an island of immortal women created by the gods themselves, Wonder Woman has become one of Earth's finest warriors and [illegible] across half the galaxy. To many her nature is paradoxical, but to Diana her mission is clear: to promote the ways of peace, love, and equality while staunchly defending the innocent from the forces of evil as a premiere member of Earth's greatest heroes, the JUSTICE LEAGUE OF AMERICA. PJ

Godly trickery

[illegible]

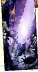
WONDER WOMAN

EXECUTION [illegible]

SACRIFICE

During the lead up to the Infinite Crisis Wonder Woman was forced to kill. Maxwell Lord (see LORD, MAXWELL), leader of CHECKMATE, had used his mental powers to take control of Superman. With one of the most powerful beings on the planet as his puppet, Maxwell Lord would be unstoppable, and he admitted that only death would force him to relent. Convinced she had no choice, Wonder Woman snapped Lord's neck. The incident eroded the trust between Wonder Woman, SUPERMAN, and BATMAN, which would lead to the dissolution of the Justice League of America. To make matters worse, the Brother Eye OMAC satellite beamed surveillance footage of the execution to a shocked public. The Infinite Crisis soon overtook the need for self-reflection. Brother Eye used its OMAC agents to invade the Amazon island of Themyscira, causing the Amazons to roll out their ultimate weapon—the purple death ray. Wonder Woman found a less violent solution when she convinced the goddess Athena to transport Themyscira out of harm's way. Diana's heroism helped repair the relationship between the three Justice League founders, but all agreed to take time away from [illegible] to improve themselves.

PARADISE LOST [illegible]



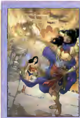
SUPERWEAPON [illegible]

DIANA PRINCE [illegible]

ONE YEAR LATER

Over the following year, Wonder Woman [illegible] a job with the U.S. government's Department of Metahuman Affairs [illegible] with glasses and an all-white field uniform. [illegible] with Tom [illegible] first assignment, Diana helped rescue Donna Troy, who had [illegible] Wonder Woman. After defeating a team of familiar faces including the Cheetah [illegible] and Doctor Psycho, Diana decided to resume her role as Wonder Woman and maintain a secret identity within the Department of Metahuman Affairs. Wonder Woman's return to heroics included organizing an all-new Justice League of America and clearing up outstanding issues related to her killing of Maxwell Lord. Although the World Court had dropped all murder charges, Wonder Woman still needed to defend herself before a U.S. federal grand jury. A [illegible] legal defense provided by Kate Spencer [illegible] Manhunter [illegible]

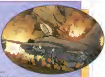
ROGUES GALLERY [illegible]



HIPPOLYTA'S RETURN [illegible]

AMAZONS ATTACK

The Amazons returned [illegible] explicable attack on Washington D.C. [illegible] on the Capitol [illegible] Lincoln Memorial to the [illegible] when assaulted by catapults and [illegible] Queen Hippolyta stood at the head of [illegible]. Recently [illegible] by the sorceress Circe, Hippolyta acted both [illegible] and bloodthirsty, with her decisions serving Circe's [illegible] the Amazonian splinter group of the [illegible] destroyed a California Air Force base and set [illegible] of the Kansas breadbasket. At first Wonder Woman [illegible] be found, having been taken into custody by Sarge Steel [illegible] the Department of Metahuman Affairs so the government [illegible] By the time Sarge Steel [illegible] [illegible] the [illegible] kicked into high gear. Diana's attempts to [illegible] with her mother proved fruitless [illegible] Circe's influence. Hippolyta [illegible] on the United States [illegible] attempted [illegible] Amazons [illegible] the U.S. [illegible] authorized the [illegible] who had supported Amazons [illegible] including [illegible] mother of Wonder Girl. While the Teen Titans tried to [illegible] the [illegible] Wonder Girl and Supergirl [illegible] by attacking Air Force One. With the situation [illegible] Wonder Woman [illegible] Themyscira and [illegible] [illegible] Diana returned to Washington and [illegible] between the Amazons and the U.S. military. [illegible] Circe [illegible] Hippolyta [illegible] accepted the [illegible] of Diana [illegible] the [illegible] appeared [illegible] the [illegible] of Themyscira [illegible] of the Amazons to live the rest of their [illegible] mortals [illegible] the goddess [illegible] Apokolips. PJ/DW



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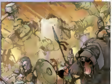


MONSTERS [illegible]

[illegible] creatures from Greek legend.

APOKOLIPTIC [illegible]

NEW CHALLENGES

Due to Circe's magic, Diana could now wield her powers only in her role as Wonder Woman; as Diana Prince, she possessed the same weaknesses as any human. Still partnered with Nemesis in the Department of Metahuman Affairs, she has continued her fight against enemies to her people, such as Captain Nazi, and recently welcomed a troop of intelligent gorillas to share her apartment.

BACK IN ACTION [illegible]

APE ASSISTANCE [illegible]

XERO

FIRST APPEARANCE XERO #1 (May 1997)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Coltrane "Trane" Walker
OCCUPATION Clown; professional basketball player **BASE** National City
HEIGHT 6ft 7in **WEIGHT** 218 lbs **EYES** Brown (blue as Xero)
HAIR Black (blonde as Xero)
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Can speed up any object's molecular structure to walk on water or through walls; Dazzlaye laser; Beadlok adhesive.

African-American athlete Trane Walker was famous as the power forward for the National City Vipers. He was also Coltrane Walker, a clandestine government agent who protected his secret identity by disguising himself as a blonde-haired and blue-eyed Caucasian covert operative. Walker died on his very first mission, but was reanimated via an experimental X-enzyme that restored him to physical health but also left him emotionally empty. Thus he became both the perfect killer and the perfect basketball player: blunt and remorseless [illegible] especially as the clown Xero. Unfortunately Walker perished again during a test set up by his superior Frank Decker to measure Xero's abilities. Walker's second resurrection left him brain damaged. Whether or not Walker is left to die in peace [illegible] agency will seek [illegible] to return him to [illegible] as Xero remains [illegible] be seen. **SB**

XS

FIRST APPEARANCE LEGIONNAIRES #0 (October 1994)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Jenni Ognats
OCCUPATION Legionnaire **BASE** Earth
HEIGHT 5ft 4in **WEIGHT** 135 lbs **EYES** Amber **HAIR** Brown
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Can run at supersonic speed while projecting a protective aura around her body.

Dawn Allen, daughter of the Flash II (Barry Allen) and Jeven Ognats, married and had a child [illegible] on the planet Aarok. As a teenager, Jenni [illegible] that she could tap into the Speed Force (see [illegible]). When she had fully mastered her hereditary speed powers, Jenni was invited to join the Legion of Super-Heroes at the dawn of the 31st century. [illegible] back in time at the end of the 20th century [illegible] entered S.T.A.R. [illegible] and [illegible] Bart [illegible] Impulse (see Kid Flash). For a time she stopped in the 20th century and worked alongside her [illegible] they battled the villainous Savitar [illegible] into the 100th Century for a [illegible] to the end of time known as [illegible]. Thanks to the intervention of the Time Trapper [illegible] there Jenni finally managed to return to her proper time period. **RG**

EMPOWERED *[illegible] Legionnaire Xs [illegible] great speed thanks [illegible] Legion Flight Ring.*

YOUNG ALL-STARS

FIRST APPEARANCE Young All-Stars #1 (June 1987)
STATUS Hero team (disbanded) **BASE** The Perisphere, New York City
MEMBERS AND POWERS
Dyna-Mite Can generate explosive blasts
Flying Fox Shaman that can generate forcebolts, and cast spells. Fight with fox cape and cowl
Fury Superstrength; can summon the spirit of the Fury Tisiphone
Iron Munro Superstrength; invulnerability
Neptune Perkins Amphibious; can swim at superspeed
Tsunami Can generate tidal waves

[illegible] over the Reich. The team's most frequent [illegible] Axis A[illegible] America [illegible] When [illegible] missing [illegible] that Dan[illegible] special service [illegible] Sons of the Dawn, a group of [illegible] experiments. [illegible] defeated [illegible] the Sons in June [illegible] 1942, [illegible] the probationary mascot status of [illegible] Young All-Stars and made them full-fledged members of the All-Star Squadron. **PJ**

WAR-TIME TEENS *The Young All-Stars [illegible] fought [illegible] supermen and stopped the robot Mekanique from destroying the future by changing the past.*

TREND SETTERS *[illegible] superpowered [illegible] eventually become fully-fledged [illegible] 1) Dan [illegible] Dyna-Mite 2) [illegible] 3) Iron Munro 4) Tsunami 5) Neptune Perkins 6) Flying Fox 7) Fury*

YOUNG HEROES IN LOVE

FIRST APPEARANCE YOUNG HEROES IN LOVE #1 (June 1997)
STATUS Heroes (sexually active) **BASE** A very cool warehouse loft
MEMBERS AND POWERS
Bonfire (Annie Fletcher) Pyrokinetic with control over fire. **Frostbite (real name unrevealed)** Generates extreme cold. **Hard Drive (Jeremy Horton)** Possesses telepathy and telekinesis. **Junior (Benjamin Newton)** Brilliant scientist only four inches tall. **Monstergirl (Rita Lopez)** Transforms into a monster. **Off-Ramp (George Sloan)** Teleporter. **Thunderhead (Scott Tucker)** Superstrength, limited invulnerability. **Zip Kid (Stacey Taylor)** Flies, shoots fires pink energy bolts.

THE YOUNG HEROES IN LOVE [illegible] are not part of the [illegible] for the super team.
1) Hard Drive **2)** Thunderhead **3)** Zip Kid **4)** Off-Ramp **5)** Monstergirl **6)** Frostbite **7)** Junior

The Young Heroes are just that: young and relatively inexperienced super heroes brought together by the telepathic Jeremy Horton (Hard Drive) and his lover Rita Lopez (Monstergirl) to form their own titanic team. However, most of the Young Heroes did not know until much later that Hard Drive had secretly used his powers to coerce each member into joining to achieve his own self-aggrandizing ends. He was ultimately booted out by his teammates when they learned the truth.

When not struggling with internal strife from several intersecting love triangles, the Young Heroes distinguished themselves in battle with such monsters as [illegible] the Relentless, the Beast Grundoma and Kaltraak the Cruel. When last seen, the Young Heroes were attending the inaugural ball of Jeremy Horton, who had used his power to influence and win the Connecticut gubernatorial election. The Young Heroes are presumably still active, though it is just as likely that those thorny romantic entanglements have finally torn the team asunder. SB

YOUNG JUSTICE

FIRST APPEARANCE YOUNG JUSTICE: THE SECRET (April 1998)
STATUS Hero team **BASE** The Secret Sanctuary
ORIGINAL MEMBERS AND POWERS
Superboy Superstrength, flight, tactile telekinesis
Robin III (Tim Drake) Athlete, Boy Wonder
Impulse Superspeedster
Empress Amazing athlete
Wonder Girl Flight, superstrength, bravado
The Secret Ephemeral wraith

[illegible]

TRAGIC CONCLUSION [illegible]

YOUNG WARRIORS [illegible]

YOUNG JUSTICE
1) [illegible] **2)** [illegible]
3) [illegible] **4)** Wonder Girl
5) [illegible] **6)** Impulse

RAEPPA YLLACIGAM [illegible]

MAGIC MAN [illegible]

ZATANNA

FIRST APPEARANCE HAWKMAN #4 (November 1964)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Zatanna Zatara
OCCUPATION Stage magician, adventurer
BASE San Francisco
HEIGHT 5ft 7in **WEIGHT** 137 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Black
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Genetically endowed with the ability to manipulate magic; sorcery includes elemental manipulation, transmutation, and teleportation; she says her spells backward [illegible] incantation.

[illegible]

ZAURIEL

FIRST APPEARANCE JLA #6 (June 1997)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Zauriel
OCCUPATION Adventurer **BASE** The Aerie, high above Los Angeles
HEIGHT 6ft 1in **WEIGHT** 180 lbs **EYES** Purple and red **HAIR** Silver
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Now a mortal, Zauriel retains his wings, granting him flight, but his angelic abilities, such as a sonic cry, have been reduced or removed. He can still speak to animals.

A Guardian Angel of Heaven's [illegible] Host, Zauriel left heaven [illegible] forces loyal to renegade [illegible] Angel Asmodel. Falling [illegible] Zauriel found kindred [illegible] the JUSTICE LEAGUE OF AMERICA and Asmodel was routed. Zauriel kept his wings and remained on Earth. When MAGEDDON threatened all life, Zauriel sacrificed himself so others might live. His spirit pleaded humanity's cause in Heaven. As Mageddon [illegible] Earth, Zauriel [illegible] the angels [illegible] the JLA [illegible] RG

ZATARA

FIRST APPEARANCE ACTION COMICS #1 (June 1938)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** Giovanni "John" Zatara
OCCUPATION Stage magician, adventurer **BASE** Washington D.C.
HEIGHT 5ft 1in **WEIGHT** 170 lbs **EYES** Blue **HAIR** Gray
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Limitless magic enabled by speaking his spells backward; merely an average fighter who preferred sleight-of-hand over hand-to-hand combat.

[illegible]

ZUGGERNAUT

FIRST APPEARANCE FIRESTORM, THE NUCLEAR MAN #69 (March 1988)
STATUS Hero **REAL NAME** [illegible] Rodor
OCCUPATION (Rodor) black marketeer; (Zuggernaut) inapplicable
BASE Moscow, Russian Federation
HEIGHT (Rodor) 5ft 9in; (Zuggernaut) 7ft **WEIGHT** (Rodor) 170 lbs; (Zuggernaut) 250 lbs **EYES** (Rodor) Blue; (Zuggernaut) Red
HAIR (Rodor) Brown; (Zuggernaut) None
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Superhuman strength, leaping ability, resistance to physical injury, generation of explosive energy from its mouth and a jewel in its forehead.

[illegible]

ZOOM

FIRST APPEARANCE FLASH SECRET FILES #3 (November 2001) **STATUS** Hero **REAL NAME** Hunter Zolomon
OCCUPATION Super-villain **BASE** Keystone City
HEIGHT 6ft 1in **WEIGHT** 181 lbs **EYES** Brown **HAIR** Brown
SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES Ability to travel at superspeed due a limited control of time. Zoom has essentially shifted himself to a 'faster' timeline, allowing him to surpass even the feats of speed evidenced by the current Flash, Wally West.

PSYCHOTIC SPEEDSTER

HEIR TO THE SINISTER LEGACY of Professor Zoom the Reverse Flash, Hunter Zolomon was one of FLASH III's closest [illegible] before a series of [illegible] ruined his life. Hunter came from a [illegible] family. [illegible] father was a serial killer, a fact that Hunter only learned when police [illegible] his father for the murder of his mother. Zolomon joined [illegible] FBI and found love with a fellow agent named Ashley, whom he married. Once again his world imploded when a shootout with a [illegible] called the Clown left him with a shattered kneecap and brought about the death of Ashley's father. She divorced him soon after and the FBI eventually fired him.

STRANGLEHOLD [illegible]

REVERSE FLASH [illegible]

BAD LUCK AND TROUBLE

Despite the events [illegible] the pictures of [illegible] Zolomon [illegible] up in Keystone City, where he became a profiler of metahuman activities for the police department. He befriended the current Flash, Wally West, but his position with the K.C.P.D. made him a target for super-villains. An assault on Keystone by Gorilla Grodd's [illegible] left Zolomon with a broken back.

Now a paraplegic, Zolomon felt his only [illegible] the Flash to use the Cosmic Treadmill [illegible] to travel back in time and prevent the [illegible] that had led to this point. Although sympathetic [illegible] Flash refused to alter time. Zolomon [illegible] resulting explosion at the [illegible] Treadmill [illegible] a [illegible] allowing him [illegible] superspeed [illegible] time's passage. With [illegible] the villain's [illegible] Zolomon [illegible] Flash a lesson about tragedy. [illegible] similar to the one worn by the [illegible] Zoom [illegible] Wally West's [illegible] Wally [illegible] Wally battled the [illegible] superspeed [illegible] the globe before trapping Zoom [illegible] where he was forced [illegible] his [illegible] with the Clown again and again.

In the aftermath Wally [illegible] he could protect his family by having everyone forget his secret identity [illegible] granted by the Spectre. **DW**

TRAGIC EFFECTS [illegible]

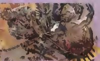
LUNACY Zoom [illegible] the [illegible] him [illegible] sanity even further.

KEY STORYLINES

- *FLASH SECRET FILES #3 (NOVEMBER 2001):* Hunter Zolomon makes his first appearance in these pages, which barely hint at his villainous future.
- *THE FLASH: BLITZ (TPB, 2004):* This trade paperback, containing Flash issues #192–200, is the definitive collection of the Zoom saga. By the time this series had finished its run, the status quo had been upended and Wally West had embarked on a new, controversial direction.

STRANGE TIMES AND PLACES

IN ELSEWORLDS, heroes and villains are taken from their usual familiar settings and thrust into alternate worlds, different timelines or parallel realities. Some are strange, forgotten times that have existed in histories that might have been. Others are places that exist, or couldn't, or *should not* exist. Origins began at divergent points and the outcomes of important crises may vary dramatically. And in all these imaginary stories made real, it all begins with the question: "What if..."



WONDER WOMAN: AMAZONIA

[illegible]

KINGDOM COME

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THE DARK KNIGHT RETURNS

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GOTH[illegible]

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Bloodstorm

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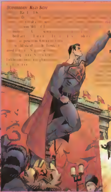

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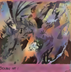

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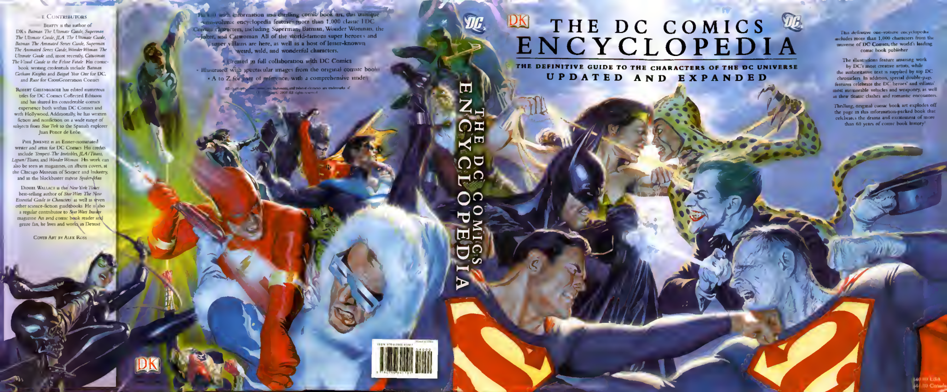

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